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OF THE

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OF THE

SIXTY-SEVENTH

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OF THE

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Cape May.—Reuben Willets.

MINUTES, &c.

TRENTON, October 25, 1842.

This being the time appointed by law for the meeting of the sixty-seventh General Assembly of this State, the following persons, viz: James I. Demarest, and John H. Zabriskie, as representatives of the county of Bergen; Abraham L. Vanboskerck, as representative of the county of Hudson; Martin I. Ryerson and Adrain R. Van Houten, as representatives of the county of Passaic; Jeptha Baldwin, Jotham Potter, Jabez Cook, David B. Lum, Lemuel W. Jacobus, Stephen Congar and Samuel C. Smith, as representatives of the county of Essex; David T. Cooper, William Stephens, James Clark and Samuel B. Halsey, as representatives of the county of Morris; Isaac Bonnell, David Hynard and Nathan Smith, as representatives of the county of Sussex; Jacob H. Winter, Stephen Warne and Abraham Wildrick, as representatives of the county of Warren; John B. Mattison, Leonard N. Flomerfelt, Isaac R. Srope and Jonathan Dawes, as representatives of the county of Hunterdon; Samuel Reynolds, Peter Voorhees and Peter Kline, as representatives of the county of Somerset: William L. Schenck, John D. Field, William Patterson and Warren Brown, as representatives of the county of Middlesex; Henry W. Green, Isaac Baker and John B. Mount, as representatives of the county of Mercer; Benjamin L. Irons, Joseph Brinley, Thomas C. Throckmorton, Samuel M. Oliphant and John R. Conover, as representatives of the county of Monmouth; Thomas H. Richards, Joseph Satterthwait, John C. Deacon, Benjamin Ridgway and Thomas Harrison, as representatives of the county of Burlington; Charles H. French, Samuel C. Allen, Richard W. Snowdon and Thomas H. Whitney, as Representatives of the county of Gloucester; George Wheaton, as representative of the county of Atlantic; John W. Maskell, Nathaniel Robbins, sen., and Thomas Dickinson, jr., as representatives of the county of Salem; John R. Cory, Joseph Butcher and Thomas Ware, as representatives of the county of Cumberland; and Reuben

Willets, as representative of the county of Cape May; appeared in the House, and produced their respective certificates of election:

Which being read and approved, John B. Mount, Esq., of Mercer, was appointed agreeably to the Constitution to qualify Samuel B. Halsey, Esq., of Morris, who being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining members present, being by him duly qualified according to law, took their seats in the House.

The members then proceeded to the choice of Speaker, when Samuel B. Halsey, of Morris, and John R. Conover, of Monmouth, were nominated; and upon the call of the House, the following gentlemen, viz:

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Conover,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Whitney,
French,	Ridgway,	Willets,
Green,	Robbins,	

Voted for Samuel B. Halsey, making 32.

The following gentlemen voted for John R. Conover, viz:

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinley,	Hynard,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Irons,	Warne,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Ware,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Winter,
Demarest,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—25.
Field,		

It appearing that Samuel B. Halsey, Esq., having a majority of all the votes present, was duly elected Speaker of the House, he took his seat accordingly.

The House then proceeded to the choice of clerk, when Alexander G. Cattell and Franklin S. Mills were nominated, and, upon the House being called, the following gentlemen voted for Alexander G. Cattell, viz:

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Willets—32.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robbins,	

For Franklin S. Mills:

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinley,	Flomerfelt,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Clark,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Patterson,	Winter,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—26.
Demarest,	N. Smith,	

Thereupon, Alexander G. Cattell was declared duly elected, and after being duly qualified, took his seat at the clerk's table.

The House then proceeded to the choice of a doorkeeper, when Daniel D. Britton was unanimously chosen.

On motion of Mr. Congar,

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have met, formed a quorum, and elected Samuel B. Halsey, Esq., of the county of Morris, speaker, and Alexander G. Cattell, clerk, and have proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr. Richards,

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to report rules for the government of this House, and that the rules of last year be adopted until others are reported;

Whereupon the speaker appointed Messrs. Richards, Whitney, and Irons, said committee.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of two dollars be appropriated to each member, and the clerk of the House, for such newspaper or newspapers as he shall order during the sittings of the present Legislature.

Mr. Mount offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and that that be the morning hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Winter offered the following:

Resolved, That the postage at Trenton of the members and clerk of this House, during the sitting or sittings of the present Legislature, be paid by the State.

On motion, the House adjourned to to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, October 26.

At ten o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly, that Council had met, formed a quorum, and elected the Hon. William Chetwood, vice-president, and Charles G. McChesney, secretary, and have proceeded to business.

Mr. Richards, from the committee to report rules for the regulation of the House, reported the rules of the House of Assembly of last year, for the government of this House, during the sittings of the present Legislature;

Which report was agreed to.

Mr. Mount offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That a committee of Council and Assembly be appointed to wait on the Governor, and inform him that both Houses have met and organized, and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Which was read and adopted, and the speaker appointed Messrs. Mount, Conover, and Cook, said committee.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the adoption of said concurrent resolution, and request the appointment of a similar committee on their part.

Mr. Baker offered the following:

Resolved, That the clerk furnish each member of this House, who was not a member last year, with a copy of Sitgreave's Manual;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That the doorkeeper of this House be authorized to procure an assistant, at an expense not exceeding seventy-five cents per day;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Demarest offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet this afternoon, at three o'clock, and that that be the hour of meeting of the afternoon sittings, until otherwise ordered;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Baker offered the following:

Resolved, That the clerk of this House be authorized to furnish the requisite supply of stationery for the use of the members, at the expense of the State;

Which was read and adopted.

The speaker announced the following joint standing committees, viz:

On treasurer's accounts—Messrs. Whitney, Throckmorton, Harrison, Winter, and Cooper.

On state prison accounts—Messrs. Congar, Oliphant, Srope, Richards, and Van Boskerck.

On public printing—Messrs. Mount, Ware, Wheaton, Ryerson, and Cook.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the appointment of said committees.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the House will terminate its present sitting on Saturday, the 5th proximo; and meet again on Tuesday, the day of January next;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Another message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly, that Council have appointed Messrs. Saunders and Patterson a committee to unite with the committee of Assembly to wait on the Governor, and inform him that both Houses have met, and organized, and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount, from the committee appointed to wait on the Governor, reported: that they had performed that duty, and were informed by his excellency that he would transmit a message to the two Houses at 3 o'clock, P. M. this day.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That the clerk be directed to inform Council that this House is now ready to go into joint meeting, for the appointment of Governor, Senator, and such other state and county officers, as may be deemed necessary, and request Council to name time and place;

Which was read and adopted.

The following message and accompanying documents were received from his excellency the Governor, by Mercer Beasley, Esq., his private secretary.

MESSAGE.

To the Legislative Council and
General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

GENTLEMEN:—It is curious to observe the influence of time upon the transactions of men. That which most interests and absorbs us to-day, to-morrow passes away, and ceases to be the subject of excitement. At the last meeting of the Legislature, the resumption of specie payments by the banks, was among the engrossing subjects of attention. The moderate and judicious course then adopted, has been fully justified by the result. The banks have returned to the payment of specie, and are pursuing their ordinary and legitimate course of business, with a just claim to your confidence and protection. If any remain without complying with the law, it is due to those institutions which have resumed, that they should be constrained to yield to its wise and salutary requirements. In like manner the

differences of opinion as to the true construction of the charters of the rail road companies, have been reconciled by the discreet action of the last session of the Legislature. The Delaware and Raritan Canal Company and the Camden and Amboy Railroad and Transportation Company, have, in compliance with the resolution, signified their acceptance of the terms and provisions in respect to them, and caused the same to be filed in the office of the Secretary of State. The act for abolishing imprisonment for debt, so anxiously sought by many people in the state, went into operation on the fourth of July last, without exciting, so far as I am informed, any very serious dissatisfaction. The principle on which this act is founded, is clearly right, and has its origin in a humane spirit, but experience will doubtless suggest amendments and modifications, from time to time, to prevent abuses under it.

It is a subject for congratulation also, that the object of your resolutions recommending such an adjustment of the tariff by the Federal Government, as to afford protection to domestic industry, has been in a good degree attained, though under untoward and embarrassing circumstances, by the patriotic action of Congress. The recent act will revive, in some degree at least, the spirits and energy of the country, and again put in motion the hammer and the shuttle. But the full benefit contemplated by the measure, will not, it is feared, be entirely realized, until all apprehensions of the threatened repeal are put to rest, by the decisive voice of the people; and I respectfully suggest that the Legislature should exercise its proper influence, by declaring the public opinion of New Jersey upon this vital question. The people of this state have taken a decided interest in the subject, and will, I trust, continue to exert their full share of influence, for the perfect establishment of the protective principle. In a country comparatively new, and in the infancy of our manufactures, it is the duty of the Government so to regulate foreign commerce, as to give encouragement and succor to our own mechanical industry and labor, and thus afford a ready market for the productions of our soil. This policy is supported by the double motive of affording protection and revenue. Whatever may be said in favor of the abstract theory of free trade, when observed as the general policy of nations, we can never subscribe to it, without a sacrifice of our prosperity and advancement as a people, as the trade and commerce of the world are now regulated. The want of adequate protection has already exposed us to great losses of property, and deprived the laboring classes of the means of support. The benefits of the protective policy, it should be remembered, are not confined to the manufacturer

alone: its fostering influences reach alike the agricultural and commercial interests. While the distribution of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands among the states, is held to be the duty of the General Government, and will, I trust, be urged and insisted on in future as the just due of the states, public opinion has very clearly sanctioned the conduct of Congress, in yielding it, temporarily, to the present and paramount necessity for a protective tariff.

Under the law of Congress, it became my duty to designate some suitable person on the part of this state, to receive its share of the revenue arising from the sale of the public lands on the first of July. It was confidently expected that a payment would then have been made, and I have reason to believe such was the expectation of the Secaetary of the Treasury, as I received a circular from that officer desiring the name of the agent who should be designated. I accordingly named the Treasurer of the State, and he made demand at the proper office in Washington, for the share belonging to New Jersey, but without success. Encouragement was given that the payment would be made, but it still remains due. Whether the want of funds, or other reasons, have operated to prevent this small share of justice to the states, I am unable to state. The act is now repealed, but as the repeal did not take place until after the first instalment became due, the claims of the states remain good and that instalment should, nevertheless, be paid. While I entertain the expectation that it will yet be paid, the amount, it is understood, will be small, and no calculations in reference to the finances of the state can or should be based upon it.

By the recent act of Congress, entitled "an act for the apportionment of representative among the several states according to the sixth census," passed on the first day of June, 1842, the ratio was fixed, at one representative for every seventy thousand six hundred and eighty persons in each state. This reduced the number of representatives for New Jersey to five members, instead of six, as heretofore. By the second section of the same act, it is provided that when a state is entitled to more than one representative, the people shall elect by districts, each to be composed of a contiguous territory, and that no one district shall elect more than one representative. This act superceded the state law, requiring the election for members of Congess to be held in the month of October, and necessarily postponed such election until the action of the Legislature could be had. The propriety of making a special call of the Legislature during the summer, for the purpose of fulfilling the act of Congress, and conforming our election law to its provisions and requirements, was duly considered, and it was wisely, as I think, determined

by the late speaker of the House of Assembly, and those on whom that duty devolved, that the object might be attained at your present session, and the expense and inconvenience of a special session be avoided. It will therefore be your duty now, to apportion the state into five districts, and to direct the time for holding the election for representatives in the next Congress. Several of the provisions of the election law will require modification, to meet this new state of things. That you will perform this delicate duty with a full appreciation of the rights and wishes of your constituents, I entertain the fullest confidence. I hope the districts may be formed in a liberal and just spirit, and be so arranged as to give general satisfaction, and to be permanent in their character. As far as possible, all divisions of counties should be avoided. The law does not require the several districts to contain the same number of inhabitants. This it was seen would be impracticable; but they should be as nearly so as possible. The inhabitants of a county who are accustomed to act together at their elections, and in public business, would naturally be averse to a division, which must compel them to act with strangers. The expediency and benefits of this law of Congress can only be tested by its practical results. But it is safe to say, that it secures uniformity in the mode of electing representatives in all the states, brings the knowledge of the character and qualifications of the candidate more directly home to the voter, and more especially, it will prevent a combination of a few of the large states from controlling the destinies of the country. These are strong, and as I think, satisfactory reasons for its adoption. The far seeing sagacity of that band of patriots who framed the constitution of the United States, could not have overlooked so important a feature in our political system, and it was accordingly by the fourth section in the first article provided, that while the times, places, and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives, should be prescribed by the legislatures of the several states, Congress should have the right at any time to make or alter such regulations, except as to the place of choosing senators. So long, therefore, as Congress did not act on the subject, the legislatures of the different states were left at liberty to regulate the elections, but when Congress thought proper to act, the state law, to the extent of such action, ceased to be binding on the people. It has been suggested, that the present act of Congress is only recommendatory, and that it is discretionary with the states to follow its directions. There is certainly nothing in the language of the act itself, to justify such a suggestion, and it is a novel idea that an imperative law of Congress, if constitutional, could be otherwise than binding on the states and the

people. At the adoption of the Federal Constitution some difficulty arose, from the jealousy felt at surrendering to the General Government any of the original powers of the states, but it was found to be indispensable in some cases. This power over the mode of electing representatives was among the concessions then made in the constitution, and we are bound in good faith to see that it be maintained. The existence of two Governments over one people (the Federal and State Governments) seems calculated to create embarrassment, and it is the patriotic duty of each to see that neither encroaches on the rights and privileges of the other. The people of this state have on this occasion exhibited their known love of law and order by submitting themselves to the authority of the Federal Government, and declining to form a general ticket for Congress. This was the course of duty and patriotism, and must commend itself to the approbation of every man amongst us. States, no less than individuals, have a moral character to maintain, and as submission to law is the first duty of the citizen, so every compliance with or defiance of constitutional authority will bring along with it, the commendation or reproach of the country and the world. As the members to be chosen for the next Congress, will not, in the regular course of events, be required to take their seats until after our next annual election, a special election does not seem to be called for, and they may be elected at that time, with a great saving of labor and expense to the people. It will be in your power to provide against the contingency of a special call of Congress, (not certainly now to be expected) by authorizing the Executive or other officer, in such event, by public proclamation to name an earlier day.

At an early day after the passage of the resolution directing the Governor to appoint commissioners on the subject of a Lunatic Asylum, I appointed three gentlemen residing in different parts of the state, who entered upon the duties of the appointment, and whose report may be expected during the present session. I have heretofore forborne to press this subject on the consideration of the Legislature, from the want of funds to carry out the object, and in the hope that at this time, the state would have received so much from her share of the public lands as to be able to commence the work. I consider the call upon the humanity of the people, to do something within our own borders for this unfortunate portion of the human family, as strong and irresistible. By the report of a joint committee of both houses of the Legislature made in Feb. 1841, the facts of which are in part derived from the report of the commissioners on that subject, it seems there are in the state between three and four hundred insane persons. Of this number it is estimated

that almost one-half are paupers, who are now supported at the public expense. Of these insane persons, some are confined in chains, some wander in the highways, some are found in prisons, and all are in the most desolate and forlorn condition. I beg leave to refer you to this report and that of the commissioners just mentioned, as containing very full and valuable information on the subject. The report of the present commissioners will, under the resolution, direct your attention to the selection of a site, the price at which land can be obtained, and to other matters connected with the expenses and the plan of erecting an asylum. We are behind many of our sister states in this charitable and praiseworthy enterprise. Twelve of the states, if not more, have established asylums, and with the happiest results. Massachusetts, New York, and Virginia have each more than one. Let it never be said that New Jersey has no sympathy for her afflicted children. There are considerations entering into this subject of the most affecting character. Insanity is sometimes a direct infliction from the hand of Providence, to which we are all alike exposed; sometimes it is the result of sickness, sometimes it is hereditary; and the only proper means of cure or alleviation are to be found in the public asylum. If there be in the circle of human calamity a case which demands public sympathy, it is this. I commend the subject therefore, to your special attention.

The Treasurer's accounts will present you with an accurate statement of the finances of the state, and the condition of the school fund. I forbear to enter into any detail respecting them, as the accounts will be examined and passed upon by a committee of both branches of the Legislature. There will be found nothing new or unexpected in the money affairs of the state. Our state debt is comparatively small, and consists of a loan from one fund to another, and in temporary loans to anticipate the receipt of the taxes. As a state, we are in a prosperous condition. Independent of the school fund, and not constituting any part of it, there is belonging to the state, stock of the Camden and Amboy Railroad Companies to the amount, at par value, of two hundred thousand dollars. To keep the school fund as distinct as possible, and to secure it against any contingency, I suggest the propriety of your directing the Treasurer to transfer so much of this stock to the school fund, as will be sufficient to discharge the present indebtedness of the state to that fund. This course is recommended from a desire to secure the interests of education, and to place that account at rest. It is certainly good cause for public congratulation, considering the extravagance of the times through which we have passed, and the embarrassment of so many of the states, that

New Jersey is in no respect involved by public debt. The public debt of the states may be repudiated, but the moral and legal obligation to pay them remains. The only safe and common sense rule in the management of the public finances, is to keep the expenses of government within as reasonable limits as may be consistent with just and enlightened policy, and provide the means in each year to discharge its current obligations. There is no disposition among the people of this state to avoid their share of the expenses necessary to an economical and prudent administration of the government.

For the condition of the common schools of the state, and the subject of education generally, I refer you to the report of the Trustees of the School Fund, which will be presented at your present session. As we value our institutions, depending as they do on public opinion, we must take care that the education of the rising generation be provided for.

I herewith, in compliance with the request therein contained, present you with resolutions of the Legislature of the state of Connecticut, in relation to the public lands. I also enclose resolutions from the same state on the subject of the tariff.

The Quarter Master General's report, showing the state of the public arms under his charge, accompanies this communication.

The report of the Commissioners of Pilotage for New Jersey, herewith transmitted, shows the most praiseworthy and successful efforts on their part to render the enterprise in which they are engaged, useful to the public. The number of vessels piloted into port and taken to sea by the pilots under their charge, has greatly increased during the past year. I have entire confidence in the vigilance and fidelity of the present Commissioners, and their diligent and unrequited services are entitled to this public acknowledgment.

The report of the Keeper of the State Prison, which is also subjoined, presents a favorable view of its condition. The number of prisoners is stated to be one hundred and thirty-seven, which is fourteen less than the number reported at this time last year. The health of the prisoners is generally good, not a single death having occurred during the past year, or since March, 1841. The earnings of the prison have exceeded the expense of supporting the convicts the past year, by $4,278.22. So far as my opportunities of observation enable me to form an opinion, the affairs of the prison are faithfully administered. The prevailing embarrassments of the country, necessarily affect its business to a considerable extent, but it is nevertheless successfully conducted.

On the twenty-second day of March last, I complied with the request of the House of Assembly, by forwarding to his excellency the Governor of the state of Pennsylvania, the report of a select committee on the subject of the law of the state of Pennsylvana, charging pilotage on the coasting vessels of New Jersey, and desired that he would lay the same before the Legislature of that state. I have not been informed what disposition has been made of the communication, but have no doubt it will receive his respectful attention.

The lamented death of the Hon. Samuel L. Southard, whose public life and services are closely identified with the history of the state, and who conferred honor upon her character in the various public stations to which he was called, imposed upon me the duty of supplying his place, temporarily, in the Senate of the United States. In executing this duty, I selected a gentleman in whose fitness for the station I reposed confidence, and the duty will now devolve upon you to make a permanent appointment.

In conclusion, I should not fail to recognize the abundant reasons we have, as a people, to be grateful for the continued blessings of Divine Providence. The earth has yielded her increase, and plenty abounds. Health is in all our borders. Peace at home and abroad is still our happy privilege. The treaty with England so recently and so happily negotiated, is a source of the deepest gratification, and we may now confidently anticipate that our beloved country will, for many years to come, enjoy its inestimable blessings. In the midst of these grateful circumstances, it is to be deplored that any event should have occurred to disturb the general quiet, and the gross attempt of a few misguided citizens, to subvert the government of the patriotic state of Rhode Island, demands our most decided condemnation. The firm and steady hand of the constitutional authorities, sustained by the patriotism of their immediate constituents, has nobly vindicated the honor of the state and rebuked the spirit of rebellion. I take pleasure in recalling your attention to the fact, that Rhode Island was the first state to raise her voice, through her legislative resolutions, against the violent proceedings of Congress, in the case of the New Jersey election. This mutual sympathy among states, bound together in common interests by common ties, should be carefully cultivated, for every blow aimed at the peace and government of one, becomes the common cause of all. It is fondly hoped that such scenes may never again occur to mar the order and disgrace the character of our country, and that our cher-

shed Union, a happy sisterhood of states, may long be preserved in its original simplicity and harmony.

WM. PENNINGTON.

Trenton, October 25, 1842.

DOCUMENTS

ACCOMPANYING THE

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

[No. 1.]

To His Excellency William Pennington, Governor of New Jersey.

The Keeper of the State Prison begs leave to make the following report of the institution under his charge:

The number of prisoners in confinement on the 30th Sept., 1841, being the date of my last report, was		151
Number received into the prison since that date,		44
Total,		195
Discharged during the year as follows:		
By pardon by Governor and Council,	11	
" Remission of fine and costs by do.	1	
" Expiration of sentence,	46	
	—	58
Leaving in confinement at this date,		137

being 14 less than at the same period last year.

Average number during the year 141, being 10 less than the average of last year.

None have escaped, and none have died during the year.

An unusual degree of health has been enjoyed by the prisoners, in proof of which it is only necessary to state that the last death occurred in March, 1841, a circumstance, it is believed, without a parallel in the history of any prison of equal extent in the country. Constant and regular employment has been found to conduce much to the health of the prisoner; indeed to be absolutely essential to its enjoyment under our mode of confinement. None are now suffered to be idle that are able to work. To this and some increased attention to cleanliness, may, in some measure, be attributed the decided improvement in the health of the house. The outlet pipes have also been improved, by which we have got entirely rid of the offensive odors so much complained of, two years ago. This has doubtless contributed to the same result.

The discipline of the house is believed to be in a wholesome condition; firm yet mild. With very few exceptions the prisoners are orderly and industrious, and punishments are quite rare. Among twenty-five men employed at one branch of business, but one prisoner has committed a breach of discipline requiring punishment, for upwards of a year.

It argues favorably for the operations of our prison under the new system, as well as for the morals of our state, that notwithstanding the difficulties of the times, the number of prisoners and of commitments is regularly diminishing, as will appear from the following table:

	1837	1838	1839	1840	1841	1842
Whole number received, - - - -	63	78	71	61	59	44
Number of recommitments, - - -	3	10	11	10	8	7
Number of deaths, - - - - -	1	4	2	3	2	none
Average number of prisoners, - - -	126	142	159	158	151	141
Number at the end of each year, - -	141	163	160	152	151	137

The past year has been one of peculiar embarrassment for business, yet the operations of the prison, it is believed, will be deemed reasonably successful. The earnings have exceeded the expense of supporting the convicts, $4,178 22. The sum of $1,600 has been paid into the State Treasury from the surplus earnings, and the cash now on hand is $2,848 06, besides having all our coal paid for, for the coming year. The system of cash purchases has been adhered to, and has answered all that was expected from it. No slight additional labor and responsibility has devolved on the keeper in order to keep up

the business, under the difficulties with which he, as well as the whole community has had to labor.

The following statement of the earnings and expenses for the fiscal year is submitted:

Earnings.			*Expenses.*		
Chair-making acct.		$5,510 67	Incidental acct.		$1,237 74
Weaving	"	3,274 91	Furniture	"	849 39
Cordwainers	"	2,856 58	Provision	"	4,268 92
Sundries	"	788 91	Hospital	"	177 29
Interest	"	43 26	Fuel	"	1,726 04
			Sundries, loss on bad debt,		36 73
			Total expenses,		$8,296 11
			Gain on operations of the year,		4,178 22
Total earnings,		$12,474 33			$12,474 33

The falling off in the number of prisoners has materially reduced the earnings of the institution. The reduction of expenses is not in proportion to that of the number of prisoners, as the expenses in every thing but provision are about the same. Allowance should be made from the gain stated in the foregoing statement, for some loss that may fall on the institution from the failure, early in the summer, of a contractor in one of our most profitable branches of business. This contract was based on such testimonials as to responsibility, as were unanimously approved by the board of inspectors. They were also deemed fully satisfactory by the last committee on prison accounts, to whom they were submitted. By timely precaution the bulk of his liability was secured, and the loss on the balance cannot be serious. This is the only bad debt of any amount that I have made since I had charge of the institution.

Under the directions of the inspectors, strenuous efforts have been made to collect the old debts due the prison, but with very indifferent success. Numerous suits have been brought as well at home as in New York, but very little has been realized. The great bulk of them will be a total loss, and might as well be stricken from our accounts. Our books have a great number of old claims, which only serve to multiply accounts to be carried forward from year to year, without adding any thing to the resources of the institution. I shall venture to invite the

attention of the committee on prison accounts with a view to their taking some action on this matter.

In making the last inventory, care has been taken to avoid too high estimates of the stock and materials on hand. At my suggestion, the board of inspectors directed that the inventory should be attested, under oath, by the deputy keepers in charge of the several departments, by whom, under my direction, it has been taken.

The religious and moral improvement of the prisoners has not been forgotten. Our efforts have been directed to keeping up the usual religious exercises on the sabbath. The clergymen of Trenton, particularly the Rev. Messrs. Whitaker, Starr, Whack and Beecher, have manifested a deep interest. They have kindly attended, each once a month by turns, by which, with occasional aid from others, we have been enabled to have preaching with almost entire regularity, once, and occasionally twice, on each sabbath. There can be no question that religious and moral instruction must result in an improvement in the discipline of any similar establishment, and in the moral amelioration of its inmates; and I cannot but think that some compensation should be provided by the Legislature for services of this kind, which, however cheerfully performed, cannot but be somewhat burdensome to those by whom they are rendered.

The appropriation for books made by the Legislature at their last sitting, was judiciously expended under the direction of the board of inspectors, and the books procured have since been regularly distributed by me personally, with gratifying results. Better order is observed during the hours of relaxation from labor, and the books are received with feelings of gratitude by the prisoners generally. Of the whole number of prisoners, twenty-four are unable to read, and the punishment of these is doubtless much aggravated by this misfortune.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. GADDIS, *Keeper.*

Office of the New Jersey State Prison,
Sept. 30th, 1842.

[No. 2.]

To his Excellency, William Pennington, Captain-General and Commander-in-Chief of all the militia, and of other military force, in the state of New Jersey.

The Quarter-Master General of the state of New Jersey, respectfully presents his report as required by law, of the "number and condition of the arms and equipments and camp equipage belonging to the state of New Jersey, at present in the state arsenal," viz:

8 brass 6 lb. pieces, carriage and harness and apparatus.
2 French 4 lb. brass do., received from Col. Vandyke, of New Brunswick—dismounted.
2 iron 6 lb. do. with carriage and harness, &c.
1 " " " (Cumberland brigade.)
6690 new muskets.
2836 old " repaired, cleaned, and in good order.
767 " " undergoing repairs.
350 new rifles.
300 " pistols for dragoon service, holsters, &c.
16 old " in good order.
130 dragoon sabres.
160 " " belts and plates.
180 " cartouch boxes and belts.
2468 old cartridge boxes and belts.
2137 " bayonet belts.
1005 " knapsacks.
349 rifle powder flasks.
350 " pouches.
425 canister and strap shot, in boxes.
118 tents with poles, &c.
12 marques "
119 camp kettles and pans.
450 canteens.
8 sets of harness.
3 saddles, 6 valises, and 12 spontoons.

Since the last annual report, there have been delivered out at the arsenal upon requisition and drafts in pursuance of law and usage:

30 bayonet scabbards and belts.
30 cartouch boxes, belts, and plates, to the use of the Princeton Blues, Mercer brigade.
40 brown barrel muskets, to use of the Washington Temperance Guards of Paterson, Passaic brigade.
50 bright barrels do., to use of the Union Blues of Newark, Essex brigade.
4 artillery swords and belts, do.
50 brown barrel, do.
50 cartouch boxes and belts.
50 bayonet scabbards and belts, to use of the First Uniform Company, 1st battalion, 2d regiment, Bergen brigade.
60 brown barrel, do.
60 cartouch boxes and belts.
60 bayonet scabbards and belts and plates.
4 artillery swords and belts, to the use of the City Guard of Newark, Essex brigade.
60 brown barrel, do.
48 cartouch boxes.
4 artillery swords and belts, to the use of the Lafayette Guards of Newark, Essex brigade.
50 brown barrel, do.
4 artillery swords and belts, to the use of the Scott Guards of Elizabethtown, Essex brigade.
1 iron 6 lb. piece, carriage and harness and apparatus, to Gen. Van Winkle, to the use of the Hudson brigade.
1 brass 6 lb. piece with carriage and harness and apparatus, to Gen. Andruss, (upon special warrant of his Excellency) to the use of the Essex brigade.

SAM'L R. HAMILTON,
Q. M. Gen. of N. J.

New Jersey State Arsenal,
Trenton, Oct. 15, 1842.

[No. 3.]

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF PILOTAGE FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY,

JERSEY CITY, October 5, 1842.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New Jersey:

The Commissioners of Pilotage for New Jersey, in due compliance with the law, respectfully report, that during the past year the pilots under their supervision have faithfully and diligently performed the duties required of them, and the result of their efforts is evident in the fact, that during this period, they have brought into port (491) four hundred and ninety-one vessels, a large majority of which were boarded out of sight of land; and taken to sea (452) four hundred and fifty-two vessels; making (943) nine hundred and forty-three vessels in charge this year: showing an increase of (160) one hundred and sixty vessels over last year, with the same number of pilots, and a total aggregate of (4,180) four thousand one hundred and eighty vessels, since the commencement of the system.

The commissioners embrace this opportunity to state, that notwithstanding the extreme exertions of those opposed to this thus far *cherished Jersey enterprise*, the law of Congress encouraging our pilots in their arduous duties, has not been repealed; and we trust that the benefits heretofore accruing to the commercial interests connected with us, will be continued and established, and thus a new impulse given for renewed vigor on the part of our whole establishment.

All which is respectfully reported.

By order of the Board,

JOHN F. ELLIS, *President.*

WM. T. RODGERS, *Secretary.*

[No. 4.]

STATE OF CONNECTICUT.

RESOLUTIONS IN RELATION TO THE PUBLIC LANDS.

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has passed an act entitled "an act to appropriate the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," the object of which is to distribute among the several states and territories and to the District of Columbia, the avails of the public lands,—and whereas, the federal government is one of limited powers, without authority to distribute money to the states—and whereas, Congress, while ordering the avails of the public lands, which have heretofore gone into the national treasury, as a common fund, has simultaneously commenced a permanent national funded debt,—and whereas, in directing the money derived from the sales of the public lands to other purposes than the support of the government and legitimate national expenditures, is unwarranted by the constitution,—and Congress in bestowing the common funds of the nation in bounties upon the states, is thereby impairing the independence of the latter, by causing a humiliating dependence on the central government, and destroying the original relation that each bears to the other —therefore,

Resolved, That this General Assembly and the people of the state of Connecticut disapprove of the act of Congress, entitled "an act to appropriate the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," because the same is without authority from the constitution, and is of injurious tendency.

Resolved, That the federal government possesses no authority to distribute money from the national treasury to the states, and that in ordering such distribution, Congress transcends its powers.

Resolved, That it is not only unconstitutional, but it would be unwise to make the states of this Union dependent upon the federal government, or to clothe the latter with the power of dispensing pecuniary bounties to the states, thereby elevating the central government, which is the creature of the states, above the states which created it.

Resolved, That a frugal government, which is economical in its expenditures, and which shall abstain from all bounties, is best adapted to a republican people; and this General Assembly, speaking in behalf of the people of Connecticut, protest against any system of dividing up the public treasure, or any measure that is calculated to involve the country in debt.

Resolved, That the senators of this state in the Congress of the United States, be instructed, and our representatives requested, to use their best exertions to procure an immedate and unconditional repeal of the "act to appropriate the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights."

Resolved, That his Excellency, the Governor, be requested to transmit copies of this preamble and these resolutions, to the President of the United States and to the governors of the several states, requesting them to lay the same before their respective legislatures; and also to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

In Senate, 1842—Passed.

E. S. ABERNETHY, *Clerk*.

House of Representatives, 1842—Passed.

R. S. HINMAN, *Clerk*.

APPROVED, June 9, 1842.

C. F. CLEVELAND.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
HARTFORD, July 9, 1842.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of record.

N. A. PHELPS,
Secretary of State.

[No. 5.]

STATE OF CONNECTICUT.

RESOLUTIONS IN RELATION TO THE TARIFF.

WHEREAS, Prior to the adoption of the constitution of the United States, the several states possessed power and authority to lay discriminating duties on importations, for the purpose of revenue and protection; and whereas, by the adoption of said

constitution such power and authority was surrendered by the states to the General Government; and whereas, such power and authority has been exercised by the General Government ever since the adoption of said constitution, by various enactments based upon the principle of discrimination, thereby affording protection and encouragement to the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the people of these states, by a system of discriminating duties upon such articles of foreign growth, produce and manufacture, as came into competition with domestic products; and whereas, many of our fellow citizens, relying on the stability of the policy adopted and continued by the General Government, have invested large amounts of capital in various pursuits, in which further encouragement is essential to their prosperity, and conducive to the general welfare—therefore,

Resolved, That it is the right and the duty of Congress to adopt a system of discriminating duties on imports, to raise such an amount of revenue as, with the avails of the sales of the public lands, shall be sufficient to defray the expenses of a wise and prudent administration of the government.

Resolved, That in adopting a tariff, rendered necessary by the present state of the public revenue, sound policy requires that it be so adjusted as to afford essential protection to the manufacturing, mechanical and agricultural interests of the country.

Resolved, That we coincide with the sentiments expressed by his Excellency, the Governor, "that it is the duty of every government, as an agency established by the people for their own benefit, promptly and freely to exert its constitutional powers in behalf of the various interests of society."

Resolved, That while we yield to the principles of the act of Congress, passed on the 2d day of March, 1833, and generally known as the "Compromise Act," in limiting the duties on imports to such an amount of revenue "as may be necessary to an economical administration of the government," including, of course, ample provision for the defence of the country; yet we hold to the right and duty of Congress so to discriminate in the distribution of those duties over the list of imports, as may render the best and most efficient encouragement and protection to American industry, whether employed in the factory, the workshop, the field, or upon the ocean.

Resolved, That we consider one of the best provisions of the act of Congress aforesaid, to be that which requires all duties on foreign goods, after the 30th of June, 1842, to be paid in "READY MONEY"—a provision that should never be departed from; because, in thus requiring gold and silver, the only

"money" known to the constitution, to be paid on the products of foreign workshops, and dispensing with custom-house credits, we impose a wholesome check upon those undue facilities heretofore extended to our foreign competitors, which have often proved ruinous to our own citizens; and we at the same time furnish a salutary antidote to the extravagances of excessive and capricious banking, the evils of which paralyze the arm of industry, whenever they spread.

Resolved, That the inaction of Congress on the subject of a tariff, merits and receives our decided disapprobation. We did expect that an *exhausted treasury*, forced loans, desolated manufactories, unemployed operatives, and doubtful and gloomy prospects before us all, would have furnished sufficient incentives to arouse every American citizen to speedy and effective action; but since these fail, we respectfully instruct our senators, and request our representatives in Congress, to use their best energies to secure the passage of a bill, embracing the views expressed in the foregoing resolutions.

Resolved, That his Excellency, the Governor, be, and he is hereby requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the executive of the several states, and to each of our senators and representatives in the Congress of the United States.

In Senate, 1842—Passed.

E. S. ABERNETHY, *Clerk.*

House of Representatives, 1842—Passed.

R. S. HINMAN, *Clerk.*

APPROVED, June 10, 1842.

C. F. CLEVELAND.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
HARTFORD, July 9, 1842.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of record in this office.

N. A. PHELPS,
Secretary of State.

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Congar, were ordered to lie on the table, and one thousand copies of the message and five hundred copies

of the accompanying documents be printed for the use of the House.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have appointed the following gentlemen, members of the joint committees on the part of Council:

Committee on treasurer's accounts—Messrs. Bolton and Boyles.

On state prison accounts—Messrs. Dickey and Whitaker.

On public printing—Messrs. Beesley and Gaines.

The House adjourned to to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY October 27.

At 10 o'clock the House met.

The speaker announced the following standing committees:

On the judiciary—Messrs. Green, Patterson, Satterthwait, Hynard, and Kline.

On corporations—Messrs. Van Boskerck, Demarest, Deacon, Clark, and Ryerson.

On unfinished business—Messrs. Maskell, Brinley, and Reynolds.

On incidental expenses—Messrs. Baker, Mattison, and Voorhees.

On agriculture—Messrs. Lum, N. Smith, French, Zabriskie, and Allen.

On claims and pensions—Messrs. Stephens, Irons, Snowdon, Dawes, and Dickinson.

On elections—Messrs. Willets, Field, Ridgway, Flomerfelt, and Jacobus.

On the militia—Messrs. Potter, Bonnell, Robbins, Wildrick, and Van Houten.

On education—Messrs. Richards, Conover, Congar, Butcher, and Schenck.

On ways and means—Messrs. Whitney, Throckmorton, Harrison, Winter, and Cooper.

Mr. Butcher, presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Cumberland.

Mr. Winter presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Warren.

Mr. Zabriskie presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Bergen;

Which were severally referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on public printing, offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That Sherman & Harron, of Trenton, be appointed to do the current printing of both houses of the present Legislature, during the sittings of the same, and to be paid therefor at the following rate: For the bills, at the rate of three dollars and fifty cents per sheet, on pica type of thirty-one lines per page, on the best foolscap paper that can be procured at the rate of three dollars per ream, ninety copies of each bill for the use of the Legislature; and for pamphlet work, at the rate of fifty-five cents per one thousand ems for composition, and fifty-five cents per token (two hundred and forty copies) for press work, and on as good medium paper as can be procured at three dollars per ream. The work to be done in a neat and expeditious manner.

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the passage of said resolution, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by their secretary, Mr. McChesney, informed the House that Council will be ready to go into joint meeting for the appointment of Governor, Senator, and such other state and county officers as may be deemed necessary, to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, in the assembly room.

The House proceeded to make nominations, preparatory to going into joint meeting, for the several officers of the state, and several counties, either vacant, or the terms of service of whose incumbents are about to expire;

And after some time spent therein, the House on motion, adjourned.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from the Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, praying for an alteration in the charter of said company;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The speaker laid before the House the Report of the Trustees of the School Fund of the state of New Jersey, for the year 1842.

REPORT

OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SCHOOL FUND.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New Jersey:

The Trustees of the School Fund, in the discharge of the duty required of them by law, respectfully submit the following

ANNUAL REPORT.

There are eighteen counties and one hundred and forty-four townships in the state. Reports have been received from the school committees in one hundred and two townships. These reports contain the general situation of the public schools, and ought and in many cases do contain "such other information as the committees deem it necessary to communicate."

I. THE CONDITION OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Trustees with pleasure notice that reports have been received from twenty-one townships more this year than the last; yet they cannot withhold the renewed expression of their deep regret that there remain so many townships from which no reports have been received. At an early day the Trustees

caused a circular to be sent to each county clerk, requesting the names and residence of the school committees in each township, and a circular was prepared and addressed to each school committee, earnestly soliciting their report to be forwarded without delay, and only about two-thirds of the whole number have been heard from. These reports are required to be exhibited and read at the annual town meetings, and it is a culpable negligence which prevents the committees from transmitting copies to the Trustees of the School Fund, as they are no less legally required to do. The Trustees are informed and believe that the school committees of the townships of Amwell, in the county of Hunterdon, and Montague, in the county of Sussex, reported last year; but were not noticed for the reason that the reports were not received, or unaccountably overlooked. This remark is made in justice to those committees.

Among the reports are some evincing more than ordinary care and diligence exercised by the school committees in the discharge of their duty. Among these are the following, to which the Trustees take pleasure in referring, viz:—the reports from Little Egg Harbor, in the county of Burlington; Upper Township, in county of Cape May; Hopewell, in the county of Cumberland; Bloomfield, in the county of Essex; Newton and Union, in the county of Gloucester; Delaware, in the county of Hunterdon; Piscataway, in the county of Middlesex; Howell, in the county of Monmouth; Hanover, Mendham, Randolph and Washington, in the county of Morris; Mannington, Pittsgrove and Salem, in the county of Salem; Hardiston, in the county of Sussex; and Hardwick and Harmony, in the county of Warren.

It appears in the reports from Jersey City, in the county of Hudson, Patterson, in the county of Passaic, and Princeton and Trenton, in the county of Mercer, that the inhabitants in those districts have with a zeal and liberality worthy all commendation, attempted the establishment of public schools of a higher order upon a stable basis, with every prospect of success and widely extended usefulness, creating the hope that these schools when in complete operation may be pointed at as models worthy the imitation of every district in the state. The Trustees would refer those who have these schools in charge to the remarks herein made on the subject of what the reports ought to contain.

It further appears from the report from the township of North Brunswick, in the county of Middlesex, that the inhabitants of that township, at their last annual town meeting, directed the school committee to be furnished with an amount of money sufficient to purchase a copy of "The New Jersey School Dis-

trict Library" for each district in that township. In some other districts in the state copies of the same Library have been purchased.

An abstract of the reports of school committees which have been received will be found hereto annexed, marked A.

Table B, is a condensation of the same reports and a summary of table A, exhibiting the result in the different *counties* in the state.

From these the following results are obtained:

1. *The number of School Districts.*

The whole number of districts in the one hundred and two townships from which reports have been received, is one thousand and thirty-five.

The number of districts in these townships from which returns have been received, is nine hundred and seventy-eight.

The number from which returns were not received, is fifty-seven.

The number of districts in the eighty-three townships from which reports were received last year, was eight hundred and ninety-one.

Estimating the number of townships heard from this year at about two-thirds of the whole, we have as the whole number of districts in the state, (which cannot be far from accurate,) one thousand five hundred.

2. *The number of children who are the proper subjects of instruction, and the number instructed.*

The number of children in the one hundred and two reported townships is sixty-nine thousand six hundred and eighteen.

Of which the number reported as attending school is fifty-one thousand, six hundred and forty-eight.

Leaving the number as not attending in those townships at seventeen thousand, nine hundred and seventy.

From this number must be deducted the number who attended school in the fifty-seven districts which neglected to make returns, and also the number who attended private schools in those townships, of which no estimate can be made.

The whole number of children between the ages of five and sixteen in the state, in June, 1840, by the United States census, as heretofore shown, was ninety-six thousand, nine hundred and fifty-four.

The whole number in the state from the reports and the

census, may be safely put down for all practical purposes, at one hundred thousand.

The whole number not attending school in the reported townships is shown to be seventeen thousand nine hundred and seventy.

Estimating those townships at two-thirds, we have the whole number in the state as not attending school, twenty-six thousand, nine hundred and fifty-five.

The whole number as not attending school, by the census, was forty-five thousand, six hundred and nineteen.

The effort to reach any thing like a clear and satisfactory result, it will be perceived, only involves us in uncertainty. The only safe conclusion that can be drawn, is that there is too large a number of children in the state who are the proper subjects of instruction, who are deprived of its benefits.

3. *Inspection of the Schools.*

The Trustees repeat the salutory provision that it is the duty of one or more members of the respective school committees, to visit and examine the schools at least once in every six months. By the reports received it appears that the schools in one township in the county of Burlington, in one township in the county of Cumberland, in three townships in the county of Essex, in two townships in the county of Gloucester, in two townships in the county of Middlesex, and in one township in the county of Warren, have been twice visited during the year; making ten townships in the state from which reports have been received, in which it is reported that the schools have been visited as often as is by law required.

It further appears that the schools in one township in the county of Essex, in one township in the county of Hunterdon, in one township in the county of Middlesex, in one township in the county of Monmouth, in two townships in the county of Morris, in one township in the county of Passaic, and in one township in the county of Salem, have been visited once during the year. It would thus appear that in one hundred and two townships from which reports have been received, only in seventeen, is it stated in the reports, that the schools have been visited in any way.

This apparent want of a due inspection of our public schools is the worst feature in the administration of the existing system of public instruction. The frequent, faithful and intelligent visitation of schools, is the main spring in rendering them useful. By it the teachers are improved, bad ones exposed, and good ones encouraged. Neglect, defection, discipline and erro-

neous methods of instruction are corrected. The superior methods of government and instruction in any one school are commended by the visiting committee, to the practice of all the schools in the township and finally to the whole state. The advantages and benefits of these visitations can hardly be over estimated, and for them there can be no adequate substitute.

II. ESTIMATES AND EXPENDITURES OF SCHOOL MONEYS

Under this head the Trustees would remark that they thought the siuation of the School Fund ought to be annexed to their report, and accordingly have procured from the Treasurer a particular statement of the School Fund, containing an account of the stocks and all other securities, together with an account of moneys in the treasury belonging to it, which will be found hereto annexed, marked G.

It will be seen that the sum of thirty thousand dollars was appropriated out of the income of the Fund, on the first Monday in April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two. This sum was apportioned among the counties in the state in the manner prescribed in the "act to establish public schools," and paid by the Treasurer of the state to the respective county collectors. A copy of this apportionment will be found hereto annexed, marked D.

The whole amount of moneys paid by the township collectors to the trustees of districts, in those townships from which reports have been received, is fifty-seven thousand, four hundred and seventy-seven dollars and nine cents. Considering those townships, as before, two-thirds of the whole number of townships, and, therefore, estimating the amount received in those townships from the state at twenty thousand dollars, it would follow that in those townships the inhabitants have appropriated to the schools thirty-seven thousand, four hundred and seventy-seven dollars and nine cents; making for every dollar received from the state, one dollar eighty-seven and three-eighths cents contributed by the inhabitants. In the year ending the second of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty, for every dollar received from the state, the inhabitants contributed one dollar and twenty-five cents. In the year ending the second of March, in the succeeding year, the inhabitants contributed one dollar and forty cents, while in the year ending the second of March last, the inhabitants contributed nearly two dollars for every one received, which is the limit which the people of the state are not permitted to exceed by taxation. The increased amount of moneys appropriated by the people to the support of schools, exhibits more than any other fact connected with the

subject, the increasing interest of the people at large in the subject of public instruction, and would seem, if not to demand, at least to justify the legislature in any prudent measures they might think proper to adopt, with a view to improve the system and render it more beneficial.

III. GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

1. *The Situation of the Public Schools.*

The most obvious and prominent observation on the facts herein set forth, is that our schools are not what they ought to be, or might be made. The whole system of public instruction, as at present administered, lacks vitality. It is almost paralyzed by apathy and want of interest in all its departments. School meetings are thinly attended. Those intrusted with the school affairs neglect their trust. Incompetent teachers are too often employed. School houses are badly constructed and poorly furnished. The instruction imparted is imperfect. And as one of the chief causes inducing this sad condition of things, there is a deep and all pervading apathy on the part of parents, the friends of education, and the public generally. This is a faithful, although not universally correct picture. There are districts and townships in which the schools are in a state of improvement, the school officers faithful, the teachers competent, and the sympathy and co-operation of the inhabitants, or some of them, most salutary.

Let no adulation induce us to conceal the defects in the system and its administration. Upon this subject the Trustees feel themselves impelled by the highest considerations to declare the whole truth. Let the facts, the real and unquestioned facts, be stated. Let the difficulties and obstacles be presented, not to dishearten or induce any one to despair, but to arouse all and to urge all to renewed and increased efforts and redoubled exertions to improve the system of public instructions, to overcome the difficulties and to remove the obstacles to its noble and triumphant success. Let every legislator, every constituent, every good citizen, every patriot, every philanthropist, give his whole mind to the preparation of

2. *A Plan for the Improvement of the Public Schools.*

A fundamental principle to be universally acknowledged and adopted as an axiom is " that it is our wisest policy, as citizens, —if indeed it be not a duty of self-preservation as men—to

improve the education of our whole people, both in its quantity and quality."

1. *Reports and what they ought to contain.*—Among the more prominently discoverable deficiencies, imperiously requiring the immediate attention of the legislature, is the adoption of some legal enactment to secure full and accurate reports from all parts of the state, the faithful and regular visitation of the schools, and to authorize a reasonable compensation for the time necessarily consumed, and the expense incurred by the trustees of districts and school committees. The Trustees renew their recommendation that districts in which the trustees, and townships in which the school committees, do not perform their whole duty and comply with the requirements of law, should be deprived of their proportion of the income of the School Fund distributed among the counties. A similar recommendation was made by the Trustees in their last report, and thus brought to the notice of the inhabitants of the state. And while in many of the reports received, there is an express adoption of this recommendation, there is only one report in which there is an expressed disapprobation. A penalty must be attached to a failure to perform the duties incumbent on those who have in charge the supervision of the public schools, to secure the faithful performance of their duties. A similar compensation as that herein recommended is made to a similar class of officers in the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, and those states are regarded as models for the imitation of other states not so far advanced in the great and paramount work of education.

Full and accurate returns ought to be made by the trustees of districts to the school committees of townships, and these latter ought to be compelled to make reports of the true and exact situation of all the schools in their respective districts and townships.

These returns and reports ought to contain the extent of each district, the interest of parents in the schools, the number of persons who attend the district meetings for the selection of trustees, the number of parents who visit the schools, the designation of the amounts of moneys obtained, respectively, from the income of the school fund, the interest on the surplus revenue or other funds, if any, and by taxation, the number of times and the manner of visiting the schools by the trustees and committees during the year, the number of trustees and school committees who attend to their regular duties, the number of meetings of the trustees and committees, and the regularity of the attendance at such meetings, the mode of employing and paying

the teachers, the location, size and condition of the school houses and school rooms, and of the extent and situation of the grounds around the school houses connected therewith, the names and ages of the teachers, their previous education, their experience as teachers in the same or other schools, the various books used and studies pursued in the schools, and the manner of imparting instruction.

The Trustees well know that such returns and reports would require time and labor, and, therefore, they have recommended the allowance of a reasonable compensation to the trustees and committees; but they conceive that the effect, the moral and intellectual elevation of the rising generation, would more than fully compensate for all such required toil and expense.

If the returns and reports contained these particulars, and came from every district in the state, who could calculate the immense good which would flow therefrom. The information thus collected from every portion of the state would be submitted to the legislature, and again disseminated throughout the state throgh the medium of the reports of the Trustees of the School Fund. A valuable suggestion from any township would thus become the property of the whole state. The exposure of an evil in any one school would lead to its correction in all, and a single worthy practice in any one district or township would become an example for all the rest. The great good that might thus be accomplished could not be seen in immediate or brilliant results, but would penetrate every part of the state and infuse a new life into the entire school system.

2. *Districts.*—In the nine hundred and seventy-eight districts from which returns have been received, there are two hundred and twenty-three districts, in each of which there are more than one hundred children; there are three hundred and ninety districts in which there are more than fifty children; there are one hundred and seven districts in which there are more than twenty-five children; and there are eighty-one districts in which there are less than twenty-five. In some of the reports the Trustees regret to perceive that districts are divided, and thus new ones made. This division of districts very frequently arises from contentions and quarrels created by, or growing out of, the location of school houses or some other cause; but almost always produces evil. The money of the district is divided and its beneficial effects proportionably reduced to both. The dismemberment of districts is, in this connection, alluded to with the simple view of condemning it, and suggesting to the legislature that any action on the subject ought to tend against small districts. In other reports the

Trustees with pleasure notice the union of small districts. This course, it is respectfully suggested, might be pursued with great advantage. The objection to it, that the school house would be too far for all the children of the district to attend, might be obviated by having separate school houses. A central school for the more advanced children, and one or more for the smaller children, to be kept by females, who, in disposition, character and feeling, are without doubt better fitted to teach the younger children, than males.

3. *School Houses.*—The intimate relation which a school house well situated, arranged and furnished, bears to order, good manners, intellectual advancement, and even the culture of the moral sentiments of scholars, has for some time attracted the attention of those in other states, who have in charge the interests of public instruction.

This truth, the Trustees would indulge the hope, is becoming more deeply felt in this state, from the fact that in some districts new and approved school houses have been erected during the year, and in the reports which, it will be remembered, are required to be laid before the annual town meetings, such instances are very highly approved and warmly commended to the imitation of all the districts. When the reports of the school committees shall embrace the particulars herein stated, the situation of our school houses will be more definitely known, the necessity of improvement in this respect more clearly seen, and the truth in reference to good school houses, more extensively diffused and acted upon. Instances of improvements will become incentives to effort in this behalf throughout the state.

4. *Teachers.*—Some new enactment of law is required to raise the qualifications of teachers. Very few if any townships exist in which teachers are examined. They are usually employed for the lowest amount which will procure food and clothing, while they should be liberally rewarded. The teachers ought to be distinguished for their literary attainments, and no less so for their moral worth and aptness to teach. Moral character should be a first and indispensable condition in every instructor of the young. Additional legislation, designating what the character and qualifications of teachers ought to be, and the means necessary to prevent the employment of any wanting such requisites, in our public schools, is loudly demanded by the interests of education.

5. *Libraries.*—The Trustees cannot, in the discharge of their duty, omit again to bring to the attention of the the legislature,

the subject of supplying each school district in the state with a library. They would importunately plead with the legislature on this subject. It is thought that a measure more directly and certainly adapted to extend the general information, to advance the agricultural interests of the state, to add to the moral influences pervading the community, and to cement the institutions of our common country, than the introduction into every district of a judicious and well selected library, open to the perusal of all, both scholars and parents, can not be easily conceived. On this subject, Governor Seward, in one of his messages to the legislature of New York, remarks:

"Although an injudicious choice of books is sometimes made, these libraries generally include history and biography, voyages and travels, works on natural history and the physical sciences, treatises upon agriculture, commerce, manufactures and the arts, and judicious selections from modern literature. Henceforth, no citizen who shall have improved the advantages offered by our common schools and the District Libraries, will be without some knowledge of the earth, its physical condition and phenomena, the animals that inhabit it, the vegetables that clothe it with verdure, and the minerals under its surface, the physiology and the intellectual powers of man, the laws of mechanics and their practical uses, those of chemistry and their application to the arts, the principles of moral and political economy, the history of nations and especially that of our own country, the progress and triumph of the democratic principle in the governments on this continent and the prospects of its ascendancy throughout the world, the trials and faith, valor and constancy of our ancestors, with the inspiring examples of benevolence, virtue and patriotism, exhibited in the lives of the benefactors of mankind. The fruits of this enlightened and beneficent enterprise are chiefly to be gathered by our successors. But the present generation will not be altogether unrewarded.—Although many of our citizens may pass the District Library, heedless of the treasure it contains, the unpretending volumes will find their way to their firesides, diffusing knowledge, increasing domestic happiness, and promoting public virtue."

This new and, as it is deemed, potent element of popular education and improvement has been most successfully tried. New York has placed a library in each of the nearly eleven thousand districts in the state. Massachusetts, at the last session of her legislature, followed New York in the noble example which she had previously presented, by making a suitable appropriation for this most praise-worthy object. The sums appropriated in each state were doubled by the condition annexed, that each district should contribute an equal sum to

that furnished from the public fund. In Connecticut, also, legislative enactments have been made which will undoubtedly lead to its ultimate accomplishment. The Trustees of the School Fund, as early as the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, commended this subject to the attention of the legislature, and have not omitted to do so in every report since. The existing laws in New York and Massachusetts have, or within a few years will have, circulated in the former state nearly two millions of volumes, so that all the inhabitants of that state can be supplied at their door with a volume on almost every useful and important subject, and so that a traveller can no where be stopped within her widely extended bounds, without being within a short distance of the best reading in the language: and in the latter state nearly three hundred thousand volumes of properly prepared and well selected works of the utmost importance to the welfare of society. It must not be imagined, the Trustees take the liberty of suggesting, that in our agricultural districts good and valuable reading is comparatively unimportant. No, the farmers of the state have a deep and intrinsically important interest in this subject. It has been said that just in proportion as the soils they cultivate are more sterile, should the minds of the cultivators be more fertile; for it is asserted by those well versed in the subject, and ought to be universally known, that in a series of years the quantity of the harvests depends quite as much upon the knowledge and skill of the cultivator as upon the richness of the soil he tills.

After the rising generation shall have acquired habits of intelligent reading in our public schools, what shall they read?—With no book to read, the power of reading will be comparatively useless. And the Trustees are compelled to confess that there are not accessible to the great mass of the children in the state, books adapted to their wants and to nourish their minds with the elements of integrity and wisdom. A reading and reflecting community may safely be regarded as beyond the reach of those corrupting influences of vice and immorality which embitter social intercourse and undermine the foundations of happiness and prosperity. The Trustees believing "that the true greatness of a state does not consist in borrowing nothing from others, but in borrowing from all whatever is good and in perfecting what it appropriates," have not hesitated in bringing before the legislature these noble examples of other states for our guide and encouragement. For next to the merit of setting a good example, is that of following it.

The Trustees leave this subject with the legislature whose peculiar province it is to act, repeating the sincere conviction of

their own minds, that the establishment of a library in every school district is vitally important and essential to the proper improvement of the youth of the state.

The advancement in public instruction in the states of Massachusetts and Connecticut has been owing, the Trustees take great pleasure in adding, in a great measure to the unceasing labors of two individuals, who have for the last few years devoted the influence of their personal worth, and the efforts of their richly cultivated minds and varied accomplishments, to this high and commanding interest. It is almost needless to add that the Trustees allude to the Hon. Horace Mann, of Massachusetts, and the Hon. Henry Barnard, of Connecticut, whose whole time has been given to the subject of popular education, and who are ever ready to contribute the benefits of their large and valuable experience to other states, and who have by their well directed zeal and unwearied devotion won for themselves a tribute of high regard and respect from every friend to education throughout the nation.

6. *Public Support.*—The history of education every where, teaches that all laws fail in establishing good schools, unless they are followed by the zealous efforts of the people at large themselves. In Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York, there are periodicals devoted exclusively to the cause of popular education. The establishment of some similar publication, or the employment of one or all these, existing in neighboring states, to be circulated in every district in our own state, would be eminently advantageous in awakening, enlightening and elevating public sentiment in relation to the whole subject. For it cannot be too often repeated that the encouragement, sympathy and co-operation of parents and the friends of education, are vitally essential to the improvement and success of any system of instruction. Let it not be supposed that the Trustees mean by the term parents, only fathers. They mean what the term imports, both fathers and mothers. The zealous and active co-operation of mothers is necessarily required. They guard the mountain spring of influence. The neat and cleanly appearance, manners and punctuality of the children, and the preparation of the lesson at home, mainly depend on them. Their individual and associated efforts, if well directed and continued, can effect a mighty revolution in our public schools for good. Let the mothers in a township become acquainted with the subject of education, of what a good teacher and good school ought to be, and of the true situation of the places where their little children are compelled to spend the greater part of

the day, and the fathers and voters generally will know it and be prepared to act on the subject at the next district and township meetings. The efforts of associated females in other states has wrought powerfully in aid of public instruction. Let not the mothers and daughters of New Jersey be second to those of any other state in this "labor of love."

Let it never be forgotten by us all, and especially the legislature, who, by their enactments, give a current to the course of public instruction, that education implies a deep and thorough moral training, as well as intellectual improvement. Knowledge of every kind is said to be calculated to soften the mind and tends to link man with his fellows, and of itself ought to prevent the commission of crime; but, yet it is true that "high mental attainments are no adequate security against moral debasement." Many men, conspicuous in other days, and distinguished by wit, taste, learning, and knowledge, were no less distinguished by lawless passions and the disregard of all moral and social virtue. Lofty attainments are tremendous engines for the working out of good or evil. If not based on correct and safe principles, and accompanied by correct counsel, they become most terrible "to work iniquity."

In this connection, the Trustees are impelled to suggest that the legislature, in any revision of the system, ought to recommend the introduction of the bible as a text book in our public schools. This suggestion is not made with the view of giving preference to any system of religious faith, or of introducing any sectarian instruction; but simply for the purpose of laying at the foundation of all instruction, the pure and lofty morality of the bible, so that the axioms of its morality shall be taught at the commencement of any instruction, and never intermitted. It contains a system of morality unsurpassed and unequalled. Its moral instructions concern that almost infinite variety of conduct in men which is exhibited in all the relations they sustain. Children and parents, husbands and wives, citizens and all who are in authority, are addressed and counselled. Their duties, their influence on others, their means of doing good, and their just responsibility, are pointed out with such simplicity and clearness, that to hear, to regard, and to obey, seem perfectly easy, and disobedience entirely inexcusable. Every philosophical code of ethics which has been submitted to the judgment of enlightened men, has been valuable only so far as it conformed to the precepts of the pure morality of the bible. Let, then, the moral principles and rules of action of the bible be sedulously taught in the public schools.

The system will still require a general supervision, such only as can be obtained by the whole time and attention of a capable and faithful individual. The Trustees, therefore, repeat the recommendation they submitted in their last report, that they should be authorized to employ such an individual to act as their stated secretary, who would be at the head of the department of public instruction, preside over the interests of education generally, and prepare the annual reports and abstracts for the use of the legislature.

And in order to leave no measure untried, they further recommend that the stated secretary be empowered to appoint an assistant secretary in each county, to take the immediate oversight of the schools in his respective county, to thoroughly visit and inspect the schools, to attend the meetings in the districts and townships when practicable, to arouse public attention, to urge the necessity of personal efforts on the part of parents, and to render all necessary assistance in the preparation of the district returns and the township reports. If the foregoing suggestions were adopted, we would have (the Trustees feel no hesitation in saying,) a greatly improved system of instruction, and enjoy the means of rendering it eminently successful.

3. *The reasons why some such plan, or a better, ought to be adopted.*

The pecuniary advantages resulting from an improved system of public instruction, is the least effective reason which could be urged for its adoption, but ought not on that account to be omitted; for on that subject the public mind needs to be enlightened.

The capacity of profitable manual labor is improved by education beyond what would have been imagined. Mr. Mann, from the most unquestionable sources, has shown that good schools are a rich source of wealth in the increased value of the labor of those who are educated. He has proved this truth with the clearness of demonstration, by the collection of a series of data, which may be implicitly relied on.

The Trustees, at the hazard of the charge of prolixity, cannot avoid inserting the greater part of one letter, from many received by him on this subject.

The following is a letter from Mr. I. K. Mills, of a well known mercantile house in Boston, and is as follows:

"The house with which I am connected in business, has had for the last ten years, the principal direction of cotton mills,

machine shops, and calico printing works, in which are constantly employed about three thousand persons. The opinions I have formed of the effects of a common school education upon our manufacturing population, are the result of personal observations and inquiries, and are confirmed by the testimony of the overseers and agents, who are brought into immediate contact with the operatives. They are as follows:

"1. That the rudiments of a common school education are essential to the attainment of skill and expertness as laborers, or to consideration and respect in the civil and social relations of life.

"2. That very few who have not enjoyed the advantages of a common school education, ever rise above the lowest class of operatives; and that the labor of this class, when it is employed in manufacturing operations, which require even a very moderate degree of manual or mental dexterity, is unproductive.

"3. That a large majority of the overseers and others, employed in situations which require a high degree of skill in particular branches, which, oftentimes, require a good general knowledge of business, and always an unexceptionable moral character, have made their way up from the condition of common laborers, with no other advantage over a large proportion of those they have left behind, than that derived from a better education.

"A statement made from the books of one of the manufacturing companies under our direction, will show the relative number of the two classes and the earnings of each. This mill may be taken as a fair index of all the others.

"The average number of operatives annually employed for the last three years is twelve hundred. Of this number, there are forty-five unable to write their names.

"The average of women's wages in the departments requiring the most skill, is $2.50 per week, exclusive of board.

"The average of wages in the lowest departments, is $1.25 per week.

"Of the forty-five who are unable to write, twenty-nine, or about two-thirds, are employed in the lowest department. The difference between the wages earned by the forty-five, and the average wages of an equal number of the better educated class, is about twenty-seven per cent. in favor of the latter.

"The difference between the wages earned by twenty-nine of the lowest class, and the same number in the higher is sixty-six per cent.

"Of seventeen persons filling the most responsible situations in the mills, ten have grown up in the establishment from common laborers or apprentices.

"This statement does not include an importation of sixty-three persons from Manchester, in England, in 1839. Among these persons, there was scarcely one who could read or write, and although a part of them had been accustomed to work in cotton mills, yet, either from incapacity or idleness, they were unable to earn sufficient to pay for their subsistence, and at the expiration of a few weeks, not more than half a dozen remained in our employment.

"In some of the print works a large proportion of the operatives are foreigners. Those who are employed in the branches which require a considerable degree of skill, are as well educated as our people in similar situations. But the common laborers, as a class, are without any education, and their average earnings are about two-thirds only of those of our lowest classes, although the prices paid to each are the same, for the same amount of work.

"From these statements you will be able to form some estimate in dollars and cents, at least, of the advantages even of a little education, to the operative; and there is not the least doubt that the employer is equally benefitted. He has the security for his property that intelligence, good morals, and a just appreciation of the regulations of his establishment always afford. His machinery and mills, which constitute a large part of his capital, are in the hands of persons who, by their skill, are enabled to use them to their utmost capacity, and to prevent any unnecessary depreciation."

The superintendent of the Merrimack mills shows "the average wages of the well educated to be a fraction over seventeen per cent. above the general average in those mills, and about forty per cent. above the wages of those who could not write their names."

Other gentlemen exhibit no less gratifying results in other than manufacturing departments of labor.

It cannot be doubted that neglected schools reduce the amount of taxable property. This fact is also proved when the requisite statistics have been procured, as they have been in some places, and where neighboring districts and townships have been contrasted in reference thereto, and reduction from that cause clearly exhibited.

It may also be affirmed that the value of the land is increased by well conducted schools, for it not unfrequently occurs that

individuals who deeply feel the responsibility of properly educating their children, and failing to obtain an improvement of the means of education at their places of residence, have removed to districts where the schools were properly conducted, believing the sacrifice, if called on to make any by so doing, would be nothing in comparison with the value of the privileges thereby secured for their children.

Still more frequently, and so much so as scarcely to have escaped the observation of any one, when circumstances have required a removal, the character of the schools has determined the selection of the new residence.

But above and beyond all is the moral training and intellectual development of the man, the imparting to our children the power to overcome evil, to resist the temptations of adversity, and the still more dangerous seductions of prosperity; in one word, to raise an entire generation of men who will become the present generation when we shall be "gathered to our fathers" who will be well informed and virtuous, "thoroughly furnished unto all good works," and in their lives exhibit "whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report."

It appears from the published statistics of the country, that in nearly every state in the Union, efforts have been made to improve the character and extend the usefulness of schools, within the last ten years; and the zeal and liberality with which the great work of the improvement of education in public schools is carried on, is a pledge that greater progress will be made. In this we rejoice. Let all enter with zeal in this contest. It would be a most noble strife, and all who could be induced to engage in it, with a zeal and devotion worthy the cause, would most certainly win.

New Jersey cannot compete with most of the other states in reference to extent of territory, but she may successfully compete with the largest and wealthiest in the character of her population, upon which depend her happpiness and glory.

Let, then, all of us, legislator and constituent, old and young, male and female, in the state, awaken to our duties and responsibilities in reference to the young, who are so soon to take our places, and consecrate our best energies and whatever of talent and strength we may be favored with to the improvement of the means of education; "for it must be proclaimed, that licen-

tiousness shall be the liberty; and violence and chicanery shall be the law; and superstition and craft shall be the religion; and the self-destructive indulgence of all sensual and unhallowed passions, shall be the only happiness of that people who neglect the education of their children."

WM. PENNINGTON,
Governor.
WM. CHETWOOD,
Vice-President of Council.
SAM'L B. HALSEY,
Speaker of House of Assembly.
CHARLES G. McCHESNEY,
Secretary of State.
G. P. MOLLESON,
Attorney General.

} *Trustees of the School Fund.*

STATEMENT A.

Abstract from the returns of Public Schools of the several townships and counties of the State of New Jersey, for the year ending March 4th, 1842.

Counties and Townships from which returns have been received.	Whole number of districts and parts of districts in the township.	Number of districts from which returns have been received.	Number of children between the ages of 5 and 16, residing therein, as stated in said returns.	Number of children taught during the year, as stated in said returns.	Average number of months in year the schools have been kept open.	Average price of tuition per quarter, for each scholar.	Amount of money received from township collectors.
ATLANTIC.							
Egg Harbour,	8	8	822	639	4	$2.86	$682.06
Hamilton,	8	7	467	176	9	2.50	170.55
Weymouth,	5	5	406	140	2½	2.25	83.15
	21	20	1695	955	5	$2.50	$935.76
BERGEN.							
Franklin,	17	17	1209	656	10	$1.78	$564.86
Hackensack,	10	10	570	400	11	2.00	593.76
New Barbadoes,	8	8	494	274	12	2.00	139.15
Saddle River,	4	4	176	103	12	2.00	50.60
Washington,	5	5	423	258	4	—.—	73.00
	44	44	2872	1691	11	$2.00	$1421.37
BURLINGTON.							
Burlington,	4	4	805	462	12	$2.50	$982.86
Chester,	13	13	768	768	12	2.25	1057.72
Little Egg Harbour,	6	16	550	488	6	2.00	400.13
Mansfield,	10	0	650	490	10½	2.00	930.25
New Hanover,	8	7	868	627	8	2.50	975.38
Northampton,	23	22	1805	1694	9	1.27	2022.37
Willingsborough,	5	5	——	——	8	2.00	220.16
	69	67	5446	4529	9	$2.00	$6588.87

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CAPE MAY.							
Middle township,	6	6	453	360	6	$2.00	$584.41
Upper Township,	8	8	371	371	7	2.00	111.98
	14	14	824	731	6½	$2.00	$696.39
CUMBERLAND.							
Fairfield,	4	4	607	474	6½	$2.25	$758.54
Greenwich,	3	3	310	250	7½	3.00	372.15
Hopewell,	8	8	656	348	9	2.00	1148.00
Maurice River,	7	6	693	384	6	2.00	529.12
Millville,	7	7	472	382	3	1.75	623.04
Stoe Creek,	5	5	250	232	6	2.00	208.00
	34	33	2988	2070	6½	$2.00	$3738.85
ESSEX.							
Bellville,	5	3	602	139	9	$1.80	$185.64
Bloomfield,	8	7	721	305	12	2.00	214.58
Caldwell,	8	7	669	265	11	2.00	134.08
Clinton,	8	8	473	234	12	2.00	320.76
Orange,	11	10	895	405	12	2.00	474.35
Rahway,	9	7	715	232	12	2.00	473.00
Union,	12	8	318	165	9	2.00	120.05
Westfield,	11	10	767	369	10	2.00	186.00
	62	50	5160	2114	11	$2.00	$2108.46
HUDSON,							
Harrison,	3	2	264	55	6	$2.00	$293.21
Jersey City,	1	1	584	350	11	—.—	—.—
	4	3	848	405	8	$2.00	$293.21

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GLOUCESTER.							
Camden,	1	1	837	—	—	$—.—	$472.57
Deptford,	9	7	718	478	9	2.00	1044.74
Franklin,	12	11	686	313	—	2.00	469.00
Gloucester,	11	11	810	330	7	2.25	799.01
Greenwich,	11	11	944	710	11	2.00	816.52
Woolwich,	14	14	1099	1095	8	2.00	982.97
Newton,	3	3	483	437	8	2.50	628.10
Union,	4	4	304	209	7	2.00	282.19
Washington,	7	7	383	256	2	2.00	414.04
Waterford,	14	13	1007	739	9	2.25	779.72
	86	82	7271	4567	7	$2.00	$6658.86
HUNTERDON.							
Alexandria,	18	18	981	513	10	$2.00	$306.47
Amwell,	15	15	769	481	9	2.00	674.37
Bethlehem,	16	16	697	301	8¼	2.00	184.88
Clinton,	9	9	434	258	9	2.00	190.00
Delaware,	13	13	634	215	9	2.00	693.68
Lebanon,	11	11	558	398	9	2.00	158.98
Raritan,	16	16	600	400	8	2.30	259.52
Readington,	12	12	653	278	10	2.00	605.65
	110	110	4925	2844	9	$2.00	$3073.55
MERCER.							
East Windsor,	10	7	660	368	9	$2.00	$576.37
Hopewell,	15	14	809	297	10	2.00	318.63
Nottingham,	9	9	1189	509	10	2.00	842.52
Princeton,	5	4	472	314	10½	2.00	178.38
Trenton,	4	4	808	300	9	2.00	920.00
	43	38	3938	1788	10	$2.00	$2835.85

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MIDDLESEX.							
Piscataway,	14	14	753	340	4	$2.90	$993.96
Monroe,	15	15	816	426	11	2.00	957.86
North Brunswick,	12	12	1461	707	12	2.00	442.91
South Amboy,	9	9	497	302	9	2.00	146.95
South Brunswick,	17	17	845	508	11	2.00	550.93
	66	66	4372	2283	9	$2.00	$3092.55
MONMOUTH.							
Freehold,	29	22	1806	720	3	$2.00	$640.10
Howell,	18	17	1488	533	2	2.00	777.03
Middletown,	19	19	1774	584	11	2.25	1903.20
Shrewsbury,	18	18	1678	531	11	2.25	1321.25
Upper Freehold,	19	19	1372	1047	3	2.00	1152.48
	103	95	8118	3415	6	$2.10	$5894.06
MORRIS.							
Chatham,	9	8	595	370	10½	$1.87½	$545.31
Hanover,	17	17	1112	861	12	2.00	1257.11
Mendham,	8	8	407	258	7½	1.87½	312.89
Morris,	17	17	1127	403	10	2.00	1774.16
Pequanack,	22	21	1451	965	9	1.75	1400.08
Randolph,	7	7	532	470	9	1.87½	471.05
Roxbury,	13	13	627	400	10	2.00	438.00
Washington,	15	15	745	307	10¼	2.00	865.18
	108	106	6596	4034	9	$1.90	$7063.78
PASSAIC.							
Paterson,	1	1	——	384	12	by year	$718.50
Manchester,	6	6	805	201	11	$1.87	155.88
	7	7	805	585	11	$1.87	$874.38

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SALEM.							
Lower Alloways Creek,	7	7	382	341	9	$2.00	$398.51
Lower Penn's Neck,	4	4	346	175	9	2.00	989.42
Mannington,	8	8	——	365	—	—.—	545.94
Pittsgrove,	14	14	774	600	5	2.00	939.90
Salem,	1	1	500	420	7	2.00	842.14
Upper Penn's Neck,	9	9	601	434	7	2.00	655.42
	43	43	2603	2335	6	$2.00	$4295.33
SOMERSET.							
Bedminster,	10	10	408	204	8	$2.00	$199.00
Franklin,	16	16	890	518	11	2.00	814.14
Hillsborough,	16	13	876	370	9	2.00	729.87
Montgomery,	9	8	384	179	10	1.81	216.78
	51	47	2558	1271	9	1.95	1959.79
SUSSEX.							
Byram,	6	4	375	108	9½	2.00	266.95
Hardystown,	15	7	933	227	9	2.00	743.58
Montague,	7	6	346	172	8½	1.50	306.83
Newton,	18	17	1120	816	11	2.00	609.33
Sandystown,	9	8	402	219	5	1.50	215.90
Frankford,	16	15	653	326	9	2.00	430.98
	71	57	3829	1868	8	1.84	2473.57

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WARREN.							
Franklin,	6	6	441	160	8	2.00	——.—
Greenwich,	14	14	896	373	12	2.00	1315.79
Hardwick,	12	12	557	445	8	1.84	356.23
Harmony,	8	8	498	172	7	—.—	385.73
Hope,	11	11	495	212	9	2.00	274.52
Independence,	11	8	376	265	6	2.00	302.78
Knowlton,	12	12	692	265	7	2.00	505.16
Mansfield,	11	11	844	510	9	2.00	228.00
Oxford,	10	10	836	542	9	2.00	189.53
Pehaquarry,	4	4	133	119	8	1.17	85.72
	99	96	5770	3063	7½	$1.70	$3642.46

STATEMENT B.

Summary of the preceding abstract, made from the returns of Common Schools, for the year 1842.

COUNTIES.	Number of townships in each county, which have made returns.	Whole number of districts in the townships from which returns have been received.	Number of districts from which returns have been received.	Number of children between the ages of 5 and 16, residing therein, as stated in said returns.	Number of children taught during the year, as stated in said returns.	Average number of months in year the schools have been kept open.	Average price of tuition per quarter, for each scholar.	Amount of money received from township collectors.
Atlantic,	3	21	20	1695	955	5	$2.50	$935.76
Bergen,	5	44	44	2872	1691	11	2.00	1421.37
Burlington,	7	69	67	5446	4529	9	2.00	6588.87
Cape May,	2	14	14	824	731	6	2.00	696.39
Cumberland,	6	34	33	2988	2070	6	2.00	3738.85
Essex,	8	62	50	5160	2114	11	2.00	2108.46
Gloucester,	10	86	82	7271	4567	7	2.00	6658.86
Hudson,	2	4	3	848	405	8	2.00	293.21
Hunterdon,	8	110	110	4925	2844	9	2.00	3073.55
Mercer,	5	43	38	3938	1788	10	2.00	2835.85
Middlesex,	5	66	66	4372	2283	9	2.00	3092.55
Monmouth,	5	103	95	8118	3415	6	2.10	5794.06
Morris,	8	108	106	6596	4094	9	1.90	7063.78
Passaic,	2	7	7	805	585	11	1.87	874.38
Salem,	6	43	43	2603	2335	6	2.00	4225.33
Somerset,	4	51	47	2558	1271	9	1.95	1959.79
Sussex,	6	71	57	3829	1868	8	1.84	2473.57
Warren,	10	99	96	5770	3063	7	1.70	3642.46
	102	1035	978	69618	51648	8	$1.99	$57477.09

STATEMENT C.

Townships from which no returns have been received.

Atlantic county—Galloway,* Mullica.

Bergen county—Harrington, Lodi.

Burlington county—Chesterfield, Springfield,* Evesham, Washington.

Cape May county.—Dennis, Lower Township.

Cumberland county—Deerfield,* Downe.

Esssx county—Newark,* Livingston, Elizabeth, Springfield,* New Providence.

Hudson county—Bergen, Van Vorst.

Hunterdon county—Kingwood, Tewksbury.

Mercer county—Ewing, West Windsor,* Lawrence.*

Middlesex county—Woodbridge, Perth Amboy.

Monmouth county—Dover, Stafford.

Morris county—Jefferson, Chester.

Passaic county—Aquackanonck, West Milford, Pompton.

Salem county—Pilesgrove, Elsinborough, Upper Alloway's Creek.

Somerset county—Warren, Bridgewater, Bernards.

Sussex county—Green, Stillwater, Walpack,* Wantage, Vernon.

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*See table F.

STATEMENT D.

A statement of the moneys paid by the Treasurer of the state, to the county collectors of the respective counties, out of the income of the School Fund.

Atlantic,	$349.50
Bergen,	1,000.50
Burlington,	2,857.50
Cape May,	484.50
Cumberland,	1,189.50
Essex,	2,664.00
Gloucester,	2,184.00
Hudson,	615.00
Hunterdon,	2,326.50
Mercer,	1,710.00
Middlesex,	2,049.00
Monmouth,	2,793.00
Morris,	2,352.00
Passaic,	768.00
Salem,	1,617.00
Somerset,	1,882.50
Sussex,	1,518.75
Warren,	1,638.75
	$30,000.00

Dr. *General Statement of the*

Stocks.		
Amount of Fund invested in stocks:		
40 shares Cumberland Bank,	$2,000 00	
20 " Sussex Bank,	1,000 00	
159 " Trenton Banking Co.	4,770 00	
250 " New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company,	12,500 00	
		$20,270 00
Loans.		
Loan to New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company.	$100,000 00	
Loan to Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company,	30,000 00	
Loan to Newark city,	30,000 00	
" Sussex county,	8,000 00	
" Anderson Lalor,	12,000 00	
" State of New Jersey,	93,926 67	
" Passaic county,	3,000 00	
" Donatian Biensie,	3,000 00	
Bonds and interest due and unpaid for Paterson lands,	19,469 21	
		290,395 88
Amount received.		
Balance on hand from last year,	11,740 86	
Bank tax,	18,997 96	
Dividends on stock,	1,404 65	
Interest on loans,	11,290 66	
On bonds for Paterson lands,	816 25	
		44,250 38
Amount due for bank tax, considered doubtful,	11,090 85	
Amount on deposit,	13,738 90	
		24,829 75
		$388,746 01
Balance due, being total amount of School Fund,		$344,495 63

MENT G.

Condition of the School Fund, 1842. *Cr.*

By the following disbursements:		
Paid for the support of common schools to the Collector of Morris,	$2,352 00	
" " Warren,	1,638 75	
" " Sussex,	1,518 75	
" " Bergen,	1.000 50	
" " Hudson,	615 00	
" " Essex.	2,664 00	
" " Passaic,	768 00	
" " Middlesex,	2,049 00	
" " Gloucester,	2,184 00	
" " Salem,	1,617 00	
" " Cumberland,	1,189 50	
" " Atlantic,	349 50	
" " Cape May,	484 50	
" " Somerset,	1,682 50	
" " Burlington,	2,857 50	
" " Monmouth,	2,793 00	
" " Hunterdon,	2,326 50	
" " Mercer,	1,710 00	
" Incidental account,	161 88	
		$30,161 88
Amount of temporary loans to state this year,		349 60
Balance due from different banks on deposit, viz:		
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,	4,705 60	
Trenton Banking Company,	1,754 44	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	3,530 26	
State Bank at Newark,	3,219 12	
State Bank at New Brunswick,	260 03	
Sussex Bank,	45 00	
State Bank at Camden,	14 50	
Cumberland Bank,	60 13	
New Hope Delaware Bridge Company,	10 00	
In hands of Treasurer,	139 83	
		13,738 90
		$44,250 38
Balance due,		344,495 63
		$388,746 01

The reading of which was progressed in, when

On motion of Mr. Congar, the further reading thereof was dispensed with, and the said report ordered to lie on the table, and one thousand copies to be printed for the use of the House.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of the morning, being nominations for joint meeting, and after some time spent therein, the nominations were closed, the lists compared, and the clerk ordered to furnish Council with a copy thereof.

The House adjourned to to-morrow morning, ten o'clock.

FRIDAY, October 28.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cook presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Essex.

Mr. Maskell presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Salem.

Mr. Throckmorton presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Monmouth

Mr. Van Boskerck presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Hudson.

Mr. Willets presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Cape May.

Which were severally referred to the committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Maskell from the committee on unfinished business, presented the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the unfinished business, beg leave to report the following, viz:

No. 1. A further supplement to an act for the gradual abolition of slavery, and other purposes respecting slaves; passed the twenty-fourth day of February, Anno Domino, eighteen hundred and twenty.

No. 2. An act to incorporate the Hoboken and Newark rail road and transportation company.

No. 3. An act to incorporate the Monmouth county Silk Filature and Manufacturing Company.

No. 4. An act relative to habitual drunkards.

No. 5. An act to incorporate the New Jersey stone dressing company.

No. 6. An act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state.

No. 7. A supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Mount Hope mining company, in the county of Morris, passed 29th November, 1831.

No. 8. A supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish common schools.

No. 9. An act to regulate the width of draws in the bridges hereafter to be erected or rebuilt over the Passaic river.

No. 10. An act to divorce Ann Laquere from her husband William Laquere.

No. 11. An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex.

No. 12. An act to create the county of Columbia.

No. 13. An act to erect docks in Shrewsbury river.

No. 14. A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Delaware and Jobstown rail or mcadamised road company, passed February 11th, 1833.

No. 15. A supplement to the act entitled, an act to prevent frauds by incorporated companies, passed the 16th day of February, 1829.

No. 16. An act for the suppression of horse racing.

No. 17. A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the government and regulation of the state prison, passed the 27th day of February, A. D., 1838.

No. 18. An act to set off parts of the townships of Pequanack and Jefferson, in the county of Morris, and incorporate them into the township of West Millford, in the county of Passaic.

No. 19. An act further to alter and amend the charter of the city of Trenton.

No. 20. An act for the promotion of agriculture in the state of New Jersey.

No. 21. A supplement to the act entitled, an act for the better regulation of the banks of this state, and for other purposes, passed the 21st of February, 1838.

No. 22. An act to incorporate the Somerville bank.

No. 23. An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named.

No. 24. An act concerning the Ordinary and the Prerogative Court.

No. 25. An act concerning Surrogates.

No. 26. An act concerning wills.

No. 27. An act concerning executors and administrators.

No. 28. An act concerning the descent and distribution of the estate of intestates.

No. 29. An act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state.

No. 1. Joint resolution relative to the building of public offices.

No. 2. Joint resolutions relative to the appointment of a financial agent for the state prison.

No. 3. Joint resolutions relative to an agricultural survey of the state.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That Daniel Dodd, jr., be engrossing clerk for the House of Assembly, for the present session of the Legislature;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition from the Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to amend the charter of the Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Whereas, The clerk of this House reports that he has not been able to procure but twenty copies of Sitgreaves' Manual, and that they are not sufficient to supply the new members according to a former resolution of this House, therefore,

Resolved, That the clerk be directed to furnish a copy of the Manual to the delegation of each county, which is composed in whole or in part of new members, and to place the remainder of the books in his possession in the Library.

The Speaker laid before the House the following report of the Inspectors of the State Prison:

REPORT.

Report of the Board of Inspectors of the State Prison, for the year ending 30th September, 1842.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New Jersey:

In conformity with the act of February, 1838, the Board of Inspectors of the Prison respectfully report:

That at the commencement of the year there were in the prison one hundred and fifty-one criminals, and that forty-four have been received since, making one hundred and ninety-five. Of these forty-five have been discharged upon the expiration of the terms of their sentences, and thirteen have been pardoned by the Governor and Council; amounting altogether to fifty-eight; leaving in confinement, on the 30th September, 1842, ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVEN PRISONERS.

The following tables will exhibit their color, age, number of convictions, nativity, year received in prison, counties from which they were sent, crimes and terms of sentence.

Color.

White males,	82
do. females,	4
Colored males,	49
do. females,	2
Making total number in confinement,	137

Number of Convictions.

For 1st offence,	112
" 2d do.	20
" 3d do.	3
" 4th do.	2
Total,	137

Place of Nativity.

From New Jersey,	82
" Pennsylvania,	11
" Delaware,	4
" Maryland,	3
" Virginia,	3
" Kentucky,	1
" New York,	10
" Connecticut,	2
" Vermont,	1
" England,	4
" Ireland,	9
" Scotland,	4
" Germany,	1
" Spain,	1
" Italy,	1
Total,	137

Year in which received.

In 1831,	2
1832,	1
1833,	1
1834,	2
1835,	1
1837,	9
1838,	9
1839,	18
1840,	21
1841,	38
1842,	35
Total,	137

Age when received in Prison

From 10 to 20 years,	15
" 20 to 30 do.	60
" 30 to 40 do.	36
" 40 to 50 do.	21
" 50 to 60 do.	5
Total,	137

Number received from each county.

From	Essex,	28
"	Bergen,	8
"	Sussex,	2
"	Morris,	8
"	Warren,	2
"	Somerset,	4
"	Middlesex,	4
"	Monmouth,	7
"	Hunterdon,	4
"	Mercer,	10
"	Burlington,	19
"	Gloucester,	11
"	Salem,	7
"	Cumberland,	3
"	Cape May,	1
"	Passaic,	13
"	Atlantic,	1
"	Hudson,	2
"	Borough of Elizabethtown,	3
	Total,	137

Crimes Committed.

Burglary,	42
Grand larceny,	11
Larceny,	21
Burning,	6
Misdemeanor,	8
Murder in 2d degree,	3
Manslaughter,	4
Malicious mischief,	1
Robbery,	2
Rape,	4
Sodomy,	1
An atrocious assault with intent to commit a rape.	1
Assault and battery with intent to commit a rape,	1
Assault with intent to commit a rape,	2
Atrocious assault and battery with intent to kill,	1
Assault and battery with intent to kill,	2
Shooting with intent to kill, &c.	1
Atrocious assault and battery,	5

Assault and battery,	2
Forgery,	4
Horse stealing,	4
Receiving stolen goods,	1
Keeping a baudy house,	1
Procuring, permitting, having in possession, and aiding to pass counterfeit money,	1
Selling and having in possession counterfeit money,	1
Selling counterfeit bills,	1
Passing counterfeit money.	2
Breaking county prison,	3
Cutting timber, &c.	1
Total,	137

Term of Sentence.

For 24 years,	1
" 20 do.	2
" 15 do.	2
" 14 do.	1
" 12 do.	2
" 10 do.	11
" 8 do.	4
" 7 do.	5
" 6 do. 9 months,	1
" 6 do.	3
" 5 do.	27
" 4 do.	9
" 3 do. 6 months and 2 days,	1
" 3 do.	10
" 2 do. 6 months,	4
" 2 do.	22
" 1 do. 6months.	8
" 1 do. 1 day,	2
" 1 do.	8
" 9 months,	2
" 6 months,	2
During the term of his natural life,	1
Total,	137

There has been no death among the prisoners during the past year.

A woman was received the 7th of June last, sentenced for six months, and within three months from the time she was received, gave birth to a child, which survived but a few hours. We believe its premature death was occasioned by the close confinement of the mother.

The health of the Prison is much better than any previous year since we have been in the new building.

The financial and business operations of the Prison, we are much gratified to say, are well regulated and in a prosperous condition. The Institution is out of debt; sixteen hundred dollars have been paid to the State Treasurer out of the earnings of the convicts; leaving a balance of cash in the hands of the Keeper of twenty-eight hundred and forty-eight dollars and six cents. The purchases have been made for cash. The improved discipline, the steady and uninterrupted attention paid to the different departments of labor, and the energetic manner in which the prisoners have been prompted to industry, have very essentially aided in producing this result; and, also, have assisted very much to improve their health, and greatly abated the mental malady with which the inmates have formerly been so heavily afflicted. The state is much indebted to the very efficient Principal Keeper, for our improved condition, and his deputies are entitled to our thanks for their attention to their respective and important duties.

The Institution has obtained a judgment for about six hundred dollars against Joseph A. Yard, former Keeper, for liabilities incurred while acting in said capacity. Nothing, it is believed, can be collected from Mr. Yard.

In addition to this, the Prison has sustained serious losses by sales made by Mr. Yard, to William M. Thorp, without any adequate security, and *against the express directions* of the Board of Inspectors.

The apparatus put up by a committee for heating the cells, on a plan submitted to the Legislature, failed in the objects for which it was intended, and has been replaced by another, better calculated for the purpose, more simple in construction, requiring much less fuel, and put up at much less expense; and which, we believe, will answer the design intended.

The Legislature last year appropriated one hundred dollars to increase the library for the use of the convicts, which money was expended by a committee appointed by the Board of Inspectors, and a valuable addition of religious, historical, and miscellaneous books were added to the former collection, which are now regularly distributed among the prisoners, many of

whom evince a strong desire for reading, and we hope will be benefitted thereby.

In our intercourse with the prisoners, we have no reason to recommend a change from the present system of solitary confinement, but are still better satisfied of its efficiency as a mode of punishment, and better calculated to produce a reformation than one more social.

The state has been another year indebted to the clergy of Trenton, for their voluntary exertions for the present and future welfare of the unfortunate inmates of the prison; and we would respectfully call the attention of the Legislature to the propriety of authorizing the Board of Inspectors to make a suitable compensation to the clergy for their future services, believing them to have a salutary effect on many of the convicts.

The Board has revised and amended the regulations respecting visitors, and also the rules for the internal government of the Prison.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

By order of the Board

THOMAS HANCOCK,

Secretary.

Inspectors' Room,
New Jersey Penitentiary,
25th October, 1842.

The reading of which was progressed in, when

On motion of Mr. Congar, the further reading thereof was dispensed with, and the said report referred to the committee on state prison accounts.

A message from Council by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have closed their list of nominations, and herewith furnish the House of Assembly with a copy thereof.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is now ready to go into joint meeting, and await the presence of Council in the Assembly room.

Council then came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint meeting, and after some time spent

therein, the joint-meeting adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

The House then came to order.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Council came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint-meeting according to adjournment, and after some time spent therein, the joint-meeting rose, and the House came to order.

On motion of Mr. Cooper,

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it will adjourn to meet again on Monday afternoon next, at three o'clock.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, October, 31.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from the stockholders of the Elizabethport and New York Ferry Company, praying for an alteration in the charter of said company;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have concurred in the resolution from the House of Assembly relative to the current printing.

The Speaker presented to the House the following letter from his Excellency, the Governor:

TRENTON, Oct. 28, 1842.

Gentlemen: I am favored with your communication, stating that the Legislature of New Jersey have this day re-elected me to the office of Governor of New Jersey for the ensuing year.

You will please signify my acceptance of the trust, with my grateful acknowledgments for the continued confidence manifested towards me by the people and their representatives.

I remain with the highest respect and consideration, your obedient servant.

WM. PENNINGTON.

The Hon. WILLIAM CHETWOOD,
Vice President of Council,
and Hon. SAMUEL B. HALSEY,
Speaker of Assembly.

Mr. Bonnell offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That two copies of Elmer's Digest be furnished to the township of Montague, in the county of Sussex. One copy for the assessor and collector of said township, for their common use; and one copy for the overseers of the poor in said township, for their common use;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Irons offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the town clerk of the township of Dover, in the county of Monmouth, be furnished with one copy of Elmer's Digest for his use; and the assessor and collector one copy for their common use; and the overseers of the poor one copy for their common use;

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Green, ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Bonnell moved that the resolution to furnish the township of Montague, in the county of Sussex, with two copies of Elmer's Digest, be reconsidered;

Which was agreed to, and said resolution ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, November 1.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum presented a remonstrance from the stockholders of the Elizabethport and New York Ferry Company, remonstrating against the alteration in the charter of said company, petitioned for by other stockholders of the company;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Ware presented a petition from the chosen freeholders of the townships of Fairfield and Greenwich, in the county of Cumberland, praying the repeal of the act, entitled "an act to lay out a road on the southerly side of Cohansey Creek, in the county of Cumberland, and to establish a ferry across said creek from the town of Greenwich to the said road;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Whitney, on behalf of the committee on treasurer's accounts, asked and obtained leave for said committee to sit during the sittings of the House.

Mr. Congar, on behalf of the committee on state prison accounts, asked and obtained leave for that committee to pursue their examinations during the sitting of the House.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

On motion of Mr. Bonnell, the concurrent resolution offered by him yesterday, to furnish the township of Montague, in the county of Sussex, with two copies of Elmer's digest, for the use of the assessor and collector, and overseers of the poor of said township,

Was taken up, read, and adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Irons, the similar resolution to furnish three copies of Elmer's Digest, to the township of Dover, in the county of Monmouth, for the use of the town clerk, the assessor and collector, and the overseers of the poor of said township;

Was taken up, read, and adopted, and the clerk ordered to inform Council that the House of Assembly have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Voorhees presented the abstract of ratables of the county of Somerset.

Mr. Snowdon presented the abstract of ratables of the county of Gloucester.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, November 2.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the overseers of the poor of the township of East Windsor, in the county of Mercer, be furnished with one copy of Elmer's Digest for their common use;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Mount presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Mercer;

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed a bill entitled, "an act relative to the Borough of Princeton;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,
"An act relative to the Borough of Princeton,"
Was taken up, read, and ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Richards presented a petition from Rachel N. Whitall, praying for an act to authorize the conveyance of certain trust property;
Which was read and referred to Messrs. Richards, Irons and French.

Mr. Schenck presented a petition from Mary Ann Disbrow, praying for a divorce from her husband Samuel A. Disbrow;
Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mount moved that a standing committee of five be raised on the subject of divorces.
Which was agreed to, and Messrs. Mount, Srope, Stephens, Cory and S. C. Smith appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Schenck, the petition of Mary Ann Disbrow for a divorce, was taken up and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from Sophia Gardner, praying a divorce from her husband William Gardner;
Which was referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of the chosen freeholders of the townships of Fairfield and Greenwich, in the county of Cumberland, praying the repeal of a certain act therein named—reported a bill entitled,
"An act to repeal certain acts therein named;"
Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Congar offered the following:
Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates

to the instalment due to this state from the General Government, under the act providing for the distribution of the proceeds of the public lands among the several states, be referred to the committee of ways and means;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed, to whom shall be referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the apportionment of the state into districts, for the election of representatives in Congress;

Which was read and adopted, and

Messrs. Green, Ware, Brown, Snowdon and Cook, appointed said committee.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved that so much of the Governor's message as relates to the subject of a State Lunatic Asylum, be referred to a select committee of five members;

Which was read and adopted, and

Messrs. Congar, Dawes, Willets, Hynard and Maskell, appointed said Committee.

Mr. Snowdon offered the following:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the transfer of stock to the school fund, be referred to the committee of ways and means;

Which was read and adopted.

The bill entitled,

An act to amend the charter of "the Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company,"

Was taken up, read a second time by sections, amended, and ordered to be engrossed, and have a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, November 3.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from a number of citizens of this state, praying for a law to authorize the draining of mines by tunnel syphen pipe, or open ditch; or such a supplement to the act entitled, "an act to enable the owners of swamp and meadow ground to drain the same," as shall include the owners of mines within its provisions;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The speaker laid before the House the following report and balance sheet of the state Treasurer, with the state of New Jersey, accompanied with a balance sheet, or general statement of the condition of the school fund, as follows:

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

GENTLEMEN:—In obedience to the act of 1838, making it the duty of the Treasurer, immediately after his accounts shall have been audited by a committee appointed for that purpose, to submit to your honorable body a balance sheet, exhibiting the general amount of expenditure; the amount of receipts, and the sources from whence they have been received; the indebtedness of the state, how and where; the amount of the School Fund, and how invested; the amount of bank tax, &c., I have the honor to transmit the accompanying statements, from which it will be seen that the receipts into the Treasury for the present year, amount to the sum of $125,700.14½, and that this sum has been derived from our usual sources of revenue, with the exception of the sum of sixteen hundred dollars.

received from the State Prison, as the surplus earnings of that institution; a circumstance, it is believed, unknown in its previous history, and one highly commendatory of its present direction and management; and the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars as a tax on the capital stock of the Paterson and Hudson River Railroad and Transportation Company, which last is now by its act of incorporation, added to the list of our permanent annual resources.

It will also be seen by a reference to the general statements and balance sheets, that of the amount received the sum of forty-one thousand dollars has been applied to the liquidation of temporary loans; thirteen thousand two hundred and eighty-two dollars and forty-six cents have been paid on account of the State Prison, viz: one hundred dollars as a special appropriation for books, four thousand two hundred and ninety-nine dollars and forty-five cents for the conviction, sentence and transportation of prisoners, two thousand four hundred and twelve dollars and one cent for repairs and improvements under the direction of the Inspectors, and six thousand four hundred and seventy-one dollars for the salaries of its officers; and that about the sum of sixty thousand dollars has been expended for the ordinary expenditures of the government; leaving a balance in the treasury of about ten thousand dollars, the whole of which has been received since the 15th of the last month.

The accompanying statement and balance sheet will show the amount of the School Fund, how invested, and the amount of bank tax received during the year. In consequence of the failure of the Morris Canal and Banking Company, the Belleville Bank and the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank at New Brunswick, it will be observed that there has been, and will hereafter be, an annual diminution in the revenues of this fund of nearly seven thousand dollars; which (the interest due on the loan to the state, and a large proportion of the interest on the bonds for Paterson lands remaining unpaid) has reduced the actual receipts into the treasury for the present year, to the sum of thirty-two thousand dollars; only two thousand dollars more than has been annually distributed by the fund to the different counties for the support of common schools.

That this fund, from which so many benefits have been and are yet to be received, may be safely, profitably and permanently invested, as well as that it may be placed as far as possible beyond any further future contingency by loss, I fully concur in the propriety of the suggestion made by his Excellency the Governor, in his communication to your honorable bodies, authorizing the transfer of so much of the stock held by the state of the Camden and Amboy Railroad and Transporta-

tion Company, and Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, as will be necessary to pay the indebtedness of the state to the Fund. By such transfer the interest will be punctually paid into the Fund, and the state relieved from her only debt; and although it will take from the annual receipts into the treasury about $5,000, yet it is confidently believed that the anticipated increase of revenue arising from our public works will hereafter be equal to the deficiency; and should our proportion of the sales of the public lands now due be received, many of the difficulties which now arise from the necessity which the state labors under, of borrowing from the Fund and the banks to meet her current expenses, in anticipation of the taxes, will be in a great measure avoided.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

ISAAC SOUTHARD,

Treasury of New Jersey.

Trenton, Nov. 3d, 1842.

Dr. *Balance Sheet, or General Statement of*

Stocks.		
Amount of state fund invested in stocks:		
1000 shares Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company stock,	$100,000.00	
1000 shares Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Co. and Delaware and Raritan Canal Co., joint stock,	100,000.00	
		$200,000.00
On Bonds.		
Surplus Revenue loaned to the several counties,	$764,670.60	
Joint bonds of Camden and Amboy Rail Road Company and Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,	17,000.00	
		781,670.60
Balance on hand standing to the credit of general charges,	7,422.56	
Amount of temporary loans from sundry banks,	39,000.00	
Interest on bonds received,	1,020.00	
Dividends, "	12,000.00	
Transit duties, "	32,637.58½	
State tax, "	30,000.00	
Pedlars' licenses, "	770.00	
State Prison, surplus earnings,	1,600.00	
Tax on capital stock,	1,250.00	
		$125,700.14½
		$1,107,370.74½
Balance of state funds, including surplus revenue,		$887,743.93

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By the following disbursements:

Paid state account,		$2,306.73
" Legislative expenses,		25,446.43
" Salaries state officers,		14,100.00
" Incidental expenses,		3,154.23
" State Prison,		8,983.01
" Transportations and costs,		4,299.45
" State Arsenal,		710.00
" For instruction &c. of deaf and dumb,		1,618.66
" " " blind,		1,329.31
" Revolutionary pensions,		2,040.47
" Military officers,		370.00
" Inquisitions,		1,048.47½
" Printing account,		3,427.00
" Postage "		2,177.79
" State library,		169.37
" Constables attending Supreme Court,		63.00
" Interest account,		2,523.68
" Temporary loans,		41,000.00
" Profit and loss account,		61.00
		$114,828.60½
On deposit to the credit of Treasury:		
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,	$4,127.42	
Princeton Bank,	2,587.66	
Newark Banking and Insurance Co.	1,928.38	
State Bank at Newark,	279.26	
Trenton Banking Company,	94.53	
State Bank at Camden,	180.00	
State Bank at New Brunswick,	793.79	
Due from 1st Presbyterian and St. Paul's churches, Paterson, (in suit)	315.25	
In hands of Treasurer,	565.25	
		10,871.54
		$125,700.14½
Amount due School Fund,		93,926.67
By balance due,		887,743.93
		$1,107,370.74½

Dr. *Balance Sheet, or General Statement of*

Stocks.		
Amount of Fund invested in stocks:		
40 shares Cumberland Bank,	$2,000 00	
20 " Sussex Bank,	1,000 00	
159 " Trenton Banking Co.	4,770 00	
250 " New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company,	12,500 00	
		$20,270 00
Loans.		
Loan to New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company.	$100,000 00	
Loan to Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company,	30,000 00	
Loan to Newark city,	30,000 00	
" Sussex county,	8,000 00	
" Anderson Lalor,	12,000 00	
" State of New Jersey,	93,926 67	
" Passaic county,	3,000 00	
" Donatian Biensie,	3,000 00	
Bonds and interest due and unpaid for Paterson lands,	19,469 21	
		290,395 88
Amount received.		
Balance on hand from last year,	11,740 86	
Bank tax,	18,997 96	
Dividends on stock,	1,404 65	
Interest on loans,	11,290 66	
On bonds for Paterson lands,	816 25	
		44,250 38
Amount due for bank tax, considered doubtful,	11,090 85	
Amount on deposit,	13,738 90	
		24,829 75
		$388,746 01
Balance due, being total amount of School Fund,		$344,495 63

By the following disbursements:

Paid for the support of common schools to the			
Collector of	Morris,	$2,352 00	
" "	Warren,	1,638 75	
" "	Sussex,	1,518 75	
" "	Bergen,	1.000 50	
" "	Hudson,	615 00	
" "	Essex.	2,664 00	
" "	Passaic,	768 00	
" "	Middlesex,	2,049 00	
" "	Gloucester,	2,184 00	
" "	Salem,	1,617 00	
" "	Cumberland,	1,189 50	
" "	Atlantic,	349 50	
" "	Cape May,	484 50	
" "	Somerset,	1,882 50	
" "	Burlington,	2,857 50	
" "	Monmouth,	2,793 00	
" "	Hunterdon,	2,326 50	
" "	Mercer,	1,710 00	
" Incidental account,		161 88	
			$30,161 88
Amount of temporary loans to state this year,			349 60
Balance due from different banks on deposit, viz:			
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,		4,705 60	
Trenton Banking Company,		1,754 44	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,		3,530 26	
State Bank at Newark,		3,219 12	
State Bank at New Brunswick,		260 03	
Sussex Bank,		45 00	
State Bank at Camden,		14 50	
Cumberland Bank,		60 12	
New Hope Delaware Bridge Company,		10 00	
In hands of Treasurer,		139 83	
			13,738 90
			$44,250 38
	Balance due,		344,495 63
			$388,746 01

The Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of this state, do hereby certify that we have examined the books in his office, and have compared the same with the evidences relating thereto, and find the same regularly stated and balanced; and also that the balance of moneys, evidences of public stock. securities and other effects, are actually in the Treasury, and deposited in banks as directed by law.

SAMUEL BOLTON, } *Com. of Council.*
A. BOYLES, }

THO. H. WHITNEY,
THOS. C. THROCKMORTON,
JACOB H. WINTER,
DAVID T. COOPER,
THOS. HARRISON,
} *Committee of Assembly.*

Trenton, Nov. 3d, 1842.

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and one thousand copies thereof to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on treasurer's accounts, reported the following account current, and general statement of the condition of the treasury;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1841.		Dolls.	Cts.
November.	To balance in the Treasury, as by settlement of last account,	7,422	56

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

1841.			Dolls.	Cts.
Nov. 11.	Paid James Burnet, sheriff of Essex county, for transporting one prisoner, and seven bills of cost on conviction, &c.,		187.61	
	J. Bodine, sheriff of Hunterdon county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost, on conviction, &c.,		36.48	
	I. J. Vanderbeck, sheriff of Passaic county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost, on conviction, &c.,		73.73	
	John G. Spear, inspector of Hudson county brigade,		30.00	
12,	Nathan Smith, member of the Assembly,		84.50	
	Samuel A. Van Saun,	do	77.00	
	Daniel Cory,	do	74.00	
	John Acken,	do	65.00	
	Joseph S. Read,	do	86.00	
	Alex'r Wilson,	do	72.50	
	George J. Ryerson,	do	77.00	
	Thomas C. Throckmorton,	do	65.00	
	William H. Nelson,	do	78.50	
	Thomas Flanagan,	do	77.00	
	Elmer Ogden,	do	80.00	
	Benjamin F. Brookfield,	do	68.00	
	Abr'm L. Van Boskerck,	do	74.00	
	Benjamin S. Irons,	do	72.50	
	Leonard N. Flomerfelt,	do	74.00	
	Jabez Cook,	do	71.00	
	Maurice Beesley,	do	92.00	
	Jonas Smith,	do	72.50	
	John R. Conover,	do	89.00	
	H. H. Wilson,	do	66.50	
	W. W. Baldwin.	do	72.50	
	Jonathan Dawes,	do	65.00	
	David Dunn,	do	68.00	
	Aaron Guleck,	do	63.20	
	Samuel M. Oliphant,	do	80.00	
	John Moore,	do	89.00	
	Frazer Ayres,	do	67.40	
	Benjamin T. Chew,	do	80.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1841.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	7,422.56

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

1841.				Dolls.	Cts.
Nov. 12,	Paid Thos. H. Whitney, member of Assembly,		72.20		
	Joseph Z. Pierson,	do	72.50		
	William P. Seeley,	do	80.00		
	Jacob H. Winter,	do	86.00		
	Isaac R. Srope,	do	65.00		
	David B. Lum,	do	70.40		
	James I. Demarest,	do	80.00		
	William Stephens,	do	82.10		
	Stephen Congar,	do	71.00		
	Samuel B. Halsey,	do	77.60		
	John H. Zabriskie,	do	80.00		
	Arthur V. P. Sutphen,	do	70.50		
	Thomas C. Willis,	do	77.00		
				3,413.	22
	James W. Drake,	do	80.00		
	William Irick, member of Council,		65.00		
	John Emley, Speaker of the Assembly,		69.50		
	John B. Miller, member of do.		71.00		
	John B. Mount,	do	60.50		
	Isaac Stokes,	do	68.30		
	Levi Borton,	do	63.50		
	Joseph Brinley,	do	71.00		
	William Black,	do	60.50		
	David Hynard,	do	92.00		
	John G. Ballenger,	do	77.00		
	Thomas H. Richards,	do	75.50		
	Isaac Baker,	do	57.50		
	Charles Knight,	do	69.80		
	John B. Mattison,	do	65.00		
	George W. Smyth,	do	86.00		
	Daniel D. Britton, doorkeeper of Assembly,		38.00		
	Samuel Prior, clerk of do		86.00		
	Lewis R. Tilton, deputy doorkeeper do		15.00		
	Stephen Truesdell, three months pension, due October 26th, 1841,		15.00		
	Parker Clark, three months' pension, due Nov. 1st, 1841,		15.00		

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1841.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	7,422	56
Nov. 16.	To amount of cash received from William Pennington, Governor, for licenses granted to pedlars, &c.	381	00
		7,803	56

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

1841.		Dolls. Cts.	
Nov. 12,	Paid J. D. Van Winkle, collector of Hudson county, four bills of cost on inquisition,	41.22	
	David Whitehead, six months' pension, due Nov. 11th, 1841,	30.00	
	Nathan'l Pangborne, six months' pension, due Sept. 1st, 1841,	30.00	
	Charles C. Yard, librarian,	7.00	
	Alexander Boyles, member of Council,	92.00	
	Isaac Bonnell, do Assembly,	92.00	
	Charles C. Yard, librarian,	38.00	
	Harrison Hall, for Wilson's Ornithology, for state library,	45.00	
	William Pennington, Governor of New Jersey, three months' salary, due Nov. 1841.	500.00	
19,	James Wood, member of Council,	98.00	
	Robert Newell, do	98.00	
	John S. Condit, do	93.50	
	Joseph W. Scott, do	95.00	
	Mahlon D. Canfield, do	107.00	
	Ephraim H. Whitaker, do	101.00	
	John Lilly, do	81.80	
	Geo. T. McDowell, do	84.50	
	William Chetwood, do	92.00	
	Thomas P. Hughes, do	113.00	
	Henry Van Nest, do	92.00	
	Silas D. Canfield, do	100.40	
	Charles G. McChesney, secretary of Court of Appeals,	70.00	
	William Briest, doorkeeper of Council,	52.00	
	James Patterson, member of Council,	83.00	
	James White, do	80.00	
			7,020.84
	William Irick, do	21.00	
	William R. Cooper, do	100.00	
	John Cassedy, Vice President of do.	110.50	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer. in account*

1841.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	7,083.	56

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

1841.		Dolls.	Cts
Nov. 19,	Paid Robert E. Horner, secretary of Council, per diem allowance,	68.50	
	Robert E. Horner, secretary of Council, for enrolling and recording minutes of Council,	100.00	
	Eli Morris, engrossing clerk do	19.52	
	George H. Brenkerhoof, sheriff of Bergen county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost on conviction, &c.	65.06	
	Charles G. McChesney, secretary of state, six months' salary, and for issuing commissions, and filing eleven election returns,	188.48	
	Joseph C. Hornblower, chief justice of N. J., three months' salary, and for holding three circuits,	465.00	
	James S. Nevius, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding four circuits,	470.00	
	Halsey Canfield for taking care of Council chamber, (see resolution of 8th March, 1841,)	30.00	
	Daniel Elmer, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding five circuits,	500.00	
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding one circuit,	380.00	
	John Nevius, three months' pension, due Nov. 24th, 1841,	20.00	
23,	Charles C. Yard, librarian, for eight days' attendance on the Legislature,	16.00	
	Isaac Coombs, constable, sixteen days' attendance on supreme court, at Nov. term,	12.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

			Dolls. Cts.
1841.			
	Amount brought forward,		7,803.56
Dec. 29,	To Hudson county tax,		615.00
	Cumberland	do	1,189.50
	Hunterdon	do	2,326.50
30,	Monmouth	do	2,793.00
31,	Salem,	do	1,617.00
1842.			
January 3,	Morris	do	2,352.00
	Atlantic	do	350.00
			19,046.56

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

			Dolls.	Cts.
1841.				
Nov. 23,	Paid Henry Bowman, constable, four days' attendance on supreme court, at November term,	3.00		
Dec. 1,	Reuben Clark, three months' pension, due November 28th, 1841,	15.00		
	James Ferrel, three months' pension, due Dec. 1st, 1841,	15.00		
4,	Henry W. Green, reporter in chancery, one years' salary, due February, 28th,	200.00		
	George Wood, argument fee, in suit of Den *vs.* Martin, et. al. in supreme court of U. S.,	500,00		
7,	John Millege, for eight days' attendance on the court of chancery,	11.00		
24,	Zachariah Rossell, adjutant general, one years' salary, due November 1st, 1841,	100.00		
	William Smick, three months' pension, due December 4th, 1841,	15.00		
29,	Job Besson, collector of Hunterdon county, one bill of cost on inquisition,	3.26		
	Forman Hendrickson, collector of Monmouth county, five bills of cost on inquisition,	47.31		
31,	James S. Hulme, collector of Burlington county, thirteen bills of cost on inquisition,	59.23		
	H. H. Peet, treasurer of New York Institution, for support and tuitionof deaf and dumb,	450.00		
1842.				
January 3,	Silas Brown treasurer of New York Institution, for support and instruction of the blind,	500.00		
8,	Henry W. Banta, collector of Bergen county, eight bills of cost on inquisition,	46.35		

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	19,046	56

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
January 8.	Paid Daniel Baker, armorer of state arsenal, three months' salary, due December 6th, 1841,	100.00	
	William D. Rice, assistant armorer of state arsenal,	78.00	
	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, three months' salary,	250.00	
	Charles Sutterly, clerk do	162.50	
	Thomas Neal, deputy keeper do	125.00	
	Samuel Snedeker, do do	125.00	
	Richard Campbell, do do	125.00	
	Henry D. Cook, do do	125.00	
	John E. Bellerjeau, do do	125.00	
	Joseph Adams, do do	112.50	
	Henry Roth, do do	100.00	
	George W. Sutterly, doorkeeper,	75.00	
	Mahlon Craft, assistant do	40.50	
	John Gallager, night watch,	81.00	
	Joseph Stewart, do	81.00	
	Ann Sutterly, matron,	39.00	
			13,196.55
	James B. Coleman, physician,	25.00	
	Garret D. Wall, argument fee, in suit of Den *vs.* Martin et. al. in supreme court of U. S.,	500.00	
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, for holding three circuits,	90.00	
	Joseph W. Scott, member of court of appeals,	23.10	
	John S. Condit, do do	30.00	
	James Paterson, do do	30.00	
	Silas D. Canfield, do do	35.52	
	James Wood, do do	36.00	
	William Chetwood, do do	33.00	
	Geo. T. McDowell, do do	22.50	
	John Lilly, do do	19.80	
	William Irick, do do	24.00	
	James White, do do	19.20	
	Thomas P. Hughes, do do	51.00	
	Robert Newell, do do	36.00	
	Charles G. McChesney, clerk do	21.00	

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
January 8.	Paid William Briest, doorkeeper of court of appeals,	12.00	
	James Skellenger, six months' pension, due 4th September, 1841,	30.00	
	Sarah Wood, six months' pension, due 4th Sept., 1842,	20.00	
11	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, for improvements, &c. by order of inspectors,	490.78	
	Charles Hand, collector of Cape May county, two bills of cost on inquisition,	19.19	
12	George T. Olmstead, sheriff of Mercer county, for transporting one prisoner and two bills of cost on conviction,	47.51½	
	Henry Newkirk, sheriff of Hudson county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost on conviction,	79.20	
	Josiah Harrison, reporter of supreme court, six months' salary, due January 27th, 1842,	100.00	
	J. D. Van Winkle, collector of Hudson county, for four bills of cost on inquisition,	30.41½	
	J. Holmes, collector of Cumberland county, four bills of cost on inquisition,	21.94	
	Joseph Cunningham, postmaster at Trenton, postage bills of Governor and Treasurer,	91.37	
13,	Robert Allen, six months' pension, due Nov. 11th, 1841,	20.00	
17,	Ephraim Miller, collector of Gloucester county, three bills of cost on inquisition,	23.76	
19,	Robert S. Smith, collector of Somerset county, nineteen bills of cost on inquisition,	147.37½	
	Isaac W. Lanning, member of Legislature, (1st session,)	56.75	

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1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	19,046.56
January 12,	To Cape May county tax,	484.50
	Essex do	2,664.00
14,	Warren do	1,639.00
17.	New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company transit duties,	1,774.60
	Gloucester county tax,	2,184.00
18,	Somerset do in part,	1,200.00
	Bergen, do	1,000.00
24,	Burlington do	2,857.00
	Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, transit duties,	2,174.83
	Passaic county tax,	749.90
26,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties and dividends,	10,031.46
February 2,	State prison, on account of surplus earnings,	800.00
	Passaic county tax balance,	18.10
5,	Mercer county tax,	1,710.00
	Sussex do	1,519.00
		49,852.95

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
January 24,	Paid Charles C. Yard, librarian, for five days' attendance on court of appeals,	10.00	
26,	Editors of Newark Daily Advertiser, (advertising)	23.00	
28,	William Pennington, Governor, three months' salary,	500.00	
31.	Charles Labaw, six months' pension, due January 25th, 1842,	25.00	
	Treasurer's note of $6,000, being for money borrowed of the Newark Banking and Insurance Company to meet current expenses of the year 1841, also six months' and seven days' interest on the same,	6189.50	
	Parker Clark, three months' pension,	15.00	
February 2,	Treasurer's note of $6,000, being for money borrowed of the State Bank at Newark, to meet the current expenses of the year 1841; also, six months' and days' interest on the same,	6189.57	
	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, on order of inspectors, for improvements, &c.,	755.48	
	Cornelius G. Garrison, collector of Passaic county, six bills of cost on inquisition,	20.80½	
	For a chart of the stream of time,	3.00	
3,	Thomas J. Marsimus, for removing a fugitive from justice,	34.00	
5,	George S. Green, collector of Mercer county, seventeen bills of cost on inquisition,	134,47	
9,	Nicholas Boorham, collector of Middlesex county, ten bills of cost on inquisition,	71.06	
			29,353.84½

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1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	49,852.95
February 9,	To Middlesex county tax,	2,049.00
	Somerset do balance,	682.50
7,	State Bank at Newark, special loan,	6,000.00
	Newark Banking and Insurance Company, special loan,	8,000.00
	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Co. dividends,	3,000.00
		69,584.45

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
February 9,	Paid Joseph C. Hornblower, chief justice, three months' salary and holding three circuits,	465.00	
	Gabriel H. Ford, associate justice supreme court, six months' salary and holding six circuits,	880.00	
10,	David D. Demarest, sheriff of Bergen county, for transporting two prisoners, and two bills of cost on conviction,	99.35	
	John Cassedy, Vice President of Council,	38.50	
	William R. Cooper, member do	33.00	
	Garret S. Demarest, inspector of Bergen county brigade,	30.00	
	Samuel A. Hamilton, quartermaster general, one years' salary, due February 4th, 1842,	100.00	
17,	James S. Nevius, associate justice supreme court, three months' salary and for holding five circuits,	500.00	
19,	Stephen Treusdel, three months' pension, due January 26th, 1842,	15.00	
21,	Isaac Hillyard, sheriff of Burlington county, for transporting three prisoners and three bills of cost on conviction,	203.57	
	Daniel Harris, six months' pension, due Feb. 18th, 1842,	30.00	
	John Nevius, three months' pension, due February 24th, 1842,	20.00	
	Treasurer's note, $5,000, being for money borrowed of the State Bank at Newark, to meet the current expenses of the year 1841; also, five months' and days' interest on the same,	5135.62	

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	Amount brought forward,	69.584.45

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1842.		Dolls. Cts.
Feb. 22,	Paid Jacob D. Van Winkle, collector of Hudson county, one bill of cost on inquisition,	7.70
	Daniel Elmer, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary and holding three circuits,	470.00
March 1,	James Lanning, six months' pension, due March 1st, 1842,	30.00
	Isaac Wildrick, sheriff of Warren county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost on conviction,	44.17
	Charles C. Yard for one copy of Niles' Register for state library,	56.00
	Treasurer's note for $10,000, being for money loaned of Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton, to meet the current expenses of the year 1841; also, six months' interest on the same,	10307.40
	James Ferrel, three months' pension, due March 1, 1842,	15.00
	Ambrose Clark, six months' pension, due Feb. 18th, 1842,	30.00
	Robert Paris, six months' pension, due March 1st, 1842,	30.00
	Henry Van Nest, member of Council, for attending court of appeals,	30.00
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary and for holding one circuit,	380.00
7,	Robert Corson, six months' pension, due March 4th, 1842,	30,00
	Henry Feaster, do do	30.00
	Reuben Clark, three do	15.00
	Edward Allen, six do	30.00
	William Smick, three do	15.00

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
March 7,	Paid Periam Price, sheriff of the Borough of Elizabeth, transporting one prisoner, and three bills of cost on conviction, &c.	111.83	
	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of the state prison, for books purchased under special appropriation,	100.00	
9,	Thos. F. Randolph, six months' pension, due March 4th, 1842,	30.00	
	John Walling, do do	30.00	
	George Taylor, do do	30.00	
	William Courter, do do	30.00	
	Abraham Jones, do do	30.00	
	Jonathan Hand, do do	30.00	
	William Coleman, do do	30.00	
	James W. Wade, collector of Essex county, nineteen bills of cost on inquisition,	168.87	
	Nathan'l Pangborne, six months' pension, due March 1st, 1842,	30.00	
	Aaron Camp, do 4th	20.00	
	James Skellenger, do do	30.00	
	Benjamin Cozier, do do	30.00	
	Archibald Campbell, do do	30.00	
			49,154.85½
	John Bartley, do do	30.00	
	Corn's D. Board, three months' pension, up to December 6th, 1841, (deceased)	15.65	
	Sebastian Boughner, six months' pension, due March 4th, 1842,	30.00	
	Ira C. Whitehead, associate justice supreme court, three months' salary and holding four circuits,	470,00	
	John Emley, speaker of the House of Assembly,	218.00	
	Aaron Gulic, member do	190.50	
	Jabez Cook, do do	198.00	
	Isaac Stokes, do do	195.30	
	Thomas C. Willes, do do	207.00	
	John R. Conover, do do	198.00	

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1842.				Dolls.	Cts.
March 9,	Paid Leonard N. Flomerfelt, member of the House of Assembly,		201.00		
	William Stephens,	do	209.10		
	Frazee Ayres,	do	194.40		
	James I. Demarest,	do	207.00		
	Samuel A. Van Saun,	do	204.00		
	Charles Knight,	do	198.00		
	John B. Miller,	do	198.00		
	George M. Ryerson,	do	204.00		
	Joseph Brinley,	do	198.00		
	Wm. B. Baldwin,	do	201.50		
	John Acken,	do	192.00		
	Daniel Cory,	do	200.00		
	David B. Lum,	do	197.40		
	J. W. Drake,	do	207.00		
	Wm. H. Nelson,	do	205.00		
	Nathan Smith,	do	210.00		
	Arthur V. P. Sutphen,	do	197.00		
	Thomas F. Flanagan,	do	204.00		
	John Dawes,	do	192.00		
	John B. Mattison,	do	192.00		
	Benjamin L. Irons,	do	201.00		
	John G. Ballenger,	do	204.00		
	Joseph Z. Pierson,	do	199.50		
	Benjamin F. Chew,	do	207.00		
	Maurice Beesley,	do	219.00		
	John H. Zabriskie,	do	207.00		
	Alexander Wilson,	do	201.50		
	Samuel B. Halsey,	do	204.60		
	Stephen Congar,	do	198.00		
	Abraham L. Van Boskerck,	do	202.50		
	David Dunn,	do	195.00		
	David Hynard,	do	219.00		
	Isaac Baker,	do	184.50		
	William Black,	do	187.50		
	John B. Mount,	do	187.50		
	Elmer Ogden,	do	207.00		
				58,144.	20½
12,	Benjamin F. Brookfield,	do	195.00		
	Thomas H. Whitney,	do	195.00		
	Thomas H. Richards,	do	202.50		
	William P. Seeley,	do	207.00		

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	69,584.45	
March 12,	To Paterson and Hudson Rail Road and Transportation Company, tax on capital stock,	1,250.00	
	Camden and Amboy Railroad and Transportation Company, and Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, interest on joint bonds,	510.00	
		71,344.45	

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1842.			Dolls. Cts
March 12,	Paid J. B. Srope, member of the House of Assembly,	195.00	
	Levi Borton, do	190.50	
	Samuel N. Oliphant, do	207.00	
	Jonas Smith, do	199.50	
	John Cassedy, Vice President of Council,	234,50	
	James White, member do	186.00	
	James Paterson, do	198.00	
	George T. McDowell, do	190.50	
	Thomas P. Hughes, do	219.06	
	Alexander Boyles, do	215.00	
	William Irick, do	192.00	
	William Chetwood, do	198.00	
	M. D. Canfield, do	258.00	
	John C. Condit, do	198.00	
	Robert Newell, do	204.00	
	James Wood, do	204.00	
	Silas D. Canfield, do	206.20	
	William R. Cooper, do	296.00	
	Joseph W. Scott, do	191.10	
	Ephraim H. Whitecar, do	246.00	
	John Lilly, do	187.80	
	H. H. Wilson, member of the House of Assembly,	190.20	
	John Moore, do	216.00	
	Joseph S. Read, do	213.00	
	Thomas C. Throckmorton, do	192.00	
	Jacob H. Winter, do	207.00	
	Charles G. McChesney, secretary pro tem. of Council, and clerk of court of pardon,	45.50	
	Isaac Bonnell, member of the House of Assembly,	216.00	
	Samuel Prior, clerk of House of Assembly per diem allowance, 234.50		
	do for enrolling minutes of Assembly, 500.00		
	do indexing votes, &c. and for stationery, 345.00		
		1079.50	

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1842.			Dolls.	Cts.
March 12,	Paid Robert E. Horner, secretary of Council,	206.50		
	William Briest, doorkeeper do	126.00		
	William D. Brittin, do of House of Assembly,	126.00		
	Lewis R. Tilton, deputy do	47.25		
	Eli Morris, for engrossing for Council and Assembly,	409.89		
	Charles C. Yard, librarian do	124.00		
	Henry Van Nest, member of Council,	198.00		
	George W. Smith, do Assembly	213.00		
	Isaac W. Lanning, do	183.00		
	Treasurer's note of $8.000 being for monies loaned of the Newark Banking and Insurance Company, to meet current expenses of the year; also, six months' interest on the same,	8204.00		
	Samuel Scattergood, constable, for eleven days' attendance on supreme court,	8.25		
			75,564.89	
	William W. Norcross, two allowances in incidental bill, passed March 11th, 1842,	104.42		
	J. S. Fish, two do	122.50		
	Fish, Green & Co., one do	42.87		
	Union Transportation line do	10.00		
	Justice and Mills, do	406.00		
	William A. Benjamin, do	45.00		
	John McKelway, do	10.00		
	Charles Scott, two do	35.75		
	Phillips & Boswell, do	95.90		
	J. Stewart, one do	145.60		
	Thomas Upton, two do	53.78		
	J. N. S. & William S. Barnes, one do	24.47		
	Daniel Fenton, one do in incidental bill of 1841, and two allowances in do of 1842,	66.61		

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1841.			Dolls.	Cts.
March 12,	Paid Isaac Southard, treasurer, one allowance in incidental bill, passed March 11th, 1842,		157	06
	Jon. Cook,	do	12	75
	Enoch W. Green,	do	69	04
	Isaac Dunn,	do	9	00
	S. & J. Brearley, two	do	39	56
	Joseph Justice	do	64	34
	Staten Jefferies, one	do	1	82
	Samuel R. Hamilton,	do	13	30
	William Marseilles,	do	11	36
	Bird & Wild,	do	18	50
	Reuben Betchel,	do	22	00
	McCoy & Weart,	do	6	00
	Halsey Canfield,	do	8	90
	F. R. Safoucherie,	do	23	92
	William DeHart,	do	3	37
	George W. Howell,	do	2	00
	John Millege, for attendance in court of chancery,		38	00
	Treasurer's note of $6.000, being for that amount borrowed at the State Bank at Camden, to meet current expenses of '41; also, five months' interest on the same,		6150	00
20,	William D. Rice, assistant armorer in state arsenal,		76	00
	Daniel Baker, armorer in state arsenal, one quarter's salary,		100	00
	Charles G. McChesney, secretary of state, for issuing commissions, copies of acts sent to other states, postage, &c.,		144	03
26,	Samuel R. Gummerre, one allowance in incidental bill, passed March 11th, 1842,		98	50
	David Witherup,	do	8	06
	Jasper Scott,	do	9	87
	Richard Furman,	do	41	87
	Sherman & Harron, two	do	967	44
	James T. Sherman, one	do	60	00
	Clemens and Baker,	do	4	68

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1842.			Dolls.	Cts.
March 26,	Paid Daniel Baker, one allowance in incidental bill, passed March 11th, 1842,		10.00	
	William Grant, jr.,	do	4.12	
	Blackfan & Wilkinson,	do	9.35	
	Silvester Van Sickler,	do	9.00	
			——	84,921.63½
	V. T. Brownere,	do	10.00	
	Morris, Tasker & Morris,	do	33.87	
	Charles C. Yard,	do	5.90	
	Philip J. Gray,	do	10.00	
	William Hancock,	do	9.75	
	H. C. Boswell,	do	1.25	
	Robert E. Horner,	do	21.75	
	Benjamin Shackleton, Eben Owen, Frederick Searles, E. R. Adams, Jacob Sharp, Jacob Corson, Benjamin Jay, Daniel Pittinger, John Hull, John Wilson, jr., George Green, and Henry McMiller, witnesses on the impeachment of William R. Sharp, Esq., one of the justices of the peace in and for the county of Warren,		108.00	
	John Lute, Robert Shay, John Cole, and Peter P. Campbell, witnesses on impeachment of do do		36.00	
	Halsey & Canfuil, on the order of the Governor, for sundries,		34.00	
	J. M. De Camp, sheriff of Morris county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost on conviction, &c.,		44.84	
	George P. Molleson, attorney general of New Jersey, one year's salary,		80.00	
	Archibald Algars, six months' pension due March 24th, 1842,		30.00	
	George T. Olmstead, sheriff of Mercer county, for transporting two prisoners, and two bills of costs on conviction, &c,		85,61	

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	71,344	45
March 26,	To State Bank at Camden, special loan,	6,000	00
		77,344	45

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
March 26,	Paid Mark Ware, sheriff of Gloucester county, for transporting one prisoner, and two bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	89.12	
	Robert E. Horner, secretary of council, for copying and enrolling minutes of Council,	150.00	
1,	Isaac Combs, jr., constable, for atttendance on supreme court,	8.25	
	Ephraim Miller, collector of Gloucester county, three bills of costs on inquisition,	13.00	
7,	Oliver Fuller, treasurer of Pennsylvania institution for support, &c. of blind,	329.31	
	Richard Dell, George Tilman, Alfred Bowlsly, Philip Cyphers, William Tway, John Shay, and William Dildine, witnesses on the impeachment of William R. Sharp, Esq., one of the justices of the peace of Warren county,	60.00	
11,	James W. Southard, constable, expenses in transporting Geo. Beardsley, a fugitive from justice, &c.,	8.10	
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, for holding four circuits,	120.00	
	Nathan Elmer, six months' pension, due March 1st, 1842,	30.00	
	Tunis Felters, do	30.00	
	Jonathan Morgan, do February 15th, 1842,	30.00	
15,	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, salary three months,	250.00	
	Charles Sutterly, clerk, do	175.00	
	Henry D. Cook, deputy keeper,	125.00	
	Samuel Snediker, do	125.00	
	John E. Bellerjeau, do	125.00	
	Richard Campbell, do	125.00	
	Thomas Neal, do	125.00	

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1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	77,344.45
March 28,	To Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton, special loan,	10,000.00
April 11,	New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	1,398.56
15,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	2.988.91
	Newark Banking and Insurance Company, special loans,	4,000.00
		95,731.92

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1842.			Dolls. Cts.
April 15,	Paid Joseph Adams, deputy keeper of state prison, three months' salary,	112.50	
	Henry Roth, do	100.00	
	Joseph Stewart, night watch,	90.00	
	John Gallager, do	90.00	
	George W. Sutterly, doorkeeper,	75.00	
	Mahlon Craft, deputy do	39.00	
	Ann Sutterly, matron,	39.00	
			87,895.98½
	James B. Coleman, physician,	25.00	
	Joseph Cunningham, postmaster, Trenton, postage of members of the Legislature,	1891.00	
	do do Governor and Treasurer,	48.69	
	William Pennington, Governor, for attending at Washington, suit of Den *vs.* Martin et. al. in supreme court of U. S.,	50.00	
18,	William Pennington, Governor, three months' salary, due April 27th, 1842,	500.00	
	James Wood, collector of Morris county, three bills of cost on inquisition,	48.22	
	John Bacon, treasurer of Pennsylvania institution, for support, &c. of deaf and dumb,	546.73	
23,	Stephen Truesdel, three months' pension, due April 26th, 1842,	15.00	
	Parker Clark, do May 1st, "	15.00	
May 1,	Joseph Besson, collector of Hunterdon county, two bills of costs on inquisition,	7.35	
	John Bodine, sheriff of Hunterdon county, transporting one prisoner, and one bill of costs on conviction, &c.,	87.84	
	John Pennington, sheriff of Atlantic county, transporting one prisoner, and one bill of costs on conviction, &c.,	73.50	

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	95,731	92
May 1,	To State Bank at New Brunswick, special loan,	5,000	00
		100.731	92

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
May 1,	Paid James B. Burnett, sheriff of Essex county, transporting two prisoners, and three bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	190.38	
8,	John Millege, for eleven days' attendance on court of chancery,	11.00	
9,	Joseph C. Hornblower, chief justice, three months' salary, and holding three circuits,	465.00	
	Charles Allen, sheriff of Monmouth county, transporting one prisoner, and one bill of costs on conviction, &c.,	102.67	
	J. J. Van Derbeck, sheriff of Passaic county, transporting four prisoners, and three bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	189.60	
	David Whitehead, six months' pension, due May 11th, 1842,	30.00	
	Isaac Wildrick, witness on impeachment of W. R. Sharp, Esq., one of the justices, &c. of Warren county,	8.00	
	John F. Klein, do do	1.00	
14,	Forman Hendrickson, collector of Monmouth county, five bills of costs on inquisition,	47.34	
	James S. Nevius, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and holding three circuits,	440.00	
	Daniel Elmer, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and holding two circuits,	410.00	
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding three circuits,	440.00	
	Ira C. Whitehead, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and holding two circuits,	410.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	100,731.92

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1842.			Dolls. Cts.
May 14,	Paid Christopher Philhower, three months' pension, due March 4th, 1842,	30.00	
	Jacob B. Smith, justice of the peace of Hunterdon county, one bill of cost on inquisition,	13.48	
	Samuel B. Scattergood, constable, ten days' attendance on supreme court,	7.50	
	Asher Temple, do	7.50	
24,	Washington Corson, two months' and fourteen days' pension of Robert Corson, dec'd,	12.32	
	John Cassedy, Vice President of Council, and member of court of errors,	49.00	
	Joseph W. Scott, member of Council, and of court of errors,	32.10	
	M. D. Canfield, do	54.00	
	Henry Van Nest do	39.00	
	George T. McDowell, do	31.00	
	Silas D. Canfield, do	47.00	
	E. H. Whitaker, do	48.00	
	Robert Newell, do	45.00	
	John Lilly, do	28.80	
	William R. Cooper, do	42.00	
	Alexander Boyles, do	54.00	
	James Wood, do	45.00	
	William Irick, do	33.00	
	James Patterson, do	39.00	
	William Chetwood, do	39.00	
	John S. Condit, do	39.00	
			94,685.90½
	William Briest, sergeant at arms of Council,	18.00	
25,	John Nevius, three months' pension, due May 25th, 1842,	20.00	
30,	Charles G. McChesney, secretary of state, salary, fees for copy ingpublic acts, postage, &c.,	192.32	
	James White, member of Council and of court of errors,	27.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	100,731.92
May 25,	To amount received from William Pennington, Governor, on account of pedlars' licenses,	175.00
June 20,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, dividends on stock,	3,000.00
July 21,	New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	1,817.36
23,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	5,842.01½
		111,566.29½

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1842.		Dolls. Cts.
May 30,	Paid Charles G. McChesney, clerk of court of errors,	35.00
June 1,	Daniel Fenton, for books, periodicals, &c., for state library,	32.37
	Reuben Clark, three months' pension, due May 28th, 1842,	15.00
	James Ferrel, do June 1st, 1842,	15.00
13,	C. C. Yard, librarian, for nine days' attendance on court of errors,	18.00
	Isaac Hillyard, sheriff of Burlington county, for transporting five prisoners, and six bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	207.71
	William Smick, three months' pension, due June 4th, 1842,	15.00
22,	Edward Sanderson, on account of printing chancery reports—Green, volume 1st,	300.00
27,	Josiah Harrison, on account of printing supreme court reports—Harrison, volume 3d,	500.00
July 4,	Silas Brown, treasurer of New York institution, for support, &c. of blind,	500.00
5,	Sarah Wood, six months' pension, due July 1st, 1842,	20.00
	Philips & Boswell, for printing minutes and proceedings of sixty-sixth General Assembly, forty-three sheets, at $19 per sheet,	817.00
	Mark Ware, sheriff of Gloucester county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of costs on conviction, &c.,	150.76
	C. G. McChesney, secretary of state, for copies of laws for printer,	123.60
	David T. Talmadge, sheriff of Somerset county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of costs on conviction, &c.,	59.08

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

Amount brought forward,	111.566.29½

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
July 20,	Paid Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, three months' salary,	250.00	
	Charles Sutterly, clerk, do	175.00	
	Thomas Neal, deputy keeper,	125.00	
	Samuel Snediker, do	125.00	
	Richard Campbell, do	125.00	
	Henry D. Cook, do	125.00	
	John E. Bellerjeau, do	125.00	
	Joseph Adams, do	112.50	
	Henry Roth, do	100.00	
	George W. Sutterly, doorkeeper,	75.00	
	John Gallager, night watch,	91.00	
	Joseph Stewart, do	91.00	
	Ann Sutterly, matron,	39.00	
	James B. Coleman, physician,	25.00	
	James Petit, assistant at,	45.00	
	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, for three circuits,	90.00	
21,	Daniel Baker, keeper of state arsenal, one quarter's salary, due 6th June, 1842,	100.00	
	William D. Rice, assistant keeper of state arsenal,	78.00	
	Joseph Cunningham, postmaster at Trenton, Governor's postage,	39.17	
	Joseph Cunningham, postmaster at Trenton, treasurer's postage,	23.75	
July 22,	James B. Burnet, sheriff of Essex county, for transporting three prisoners, and five bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	397.82	
23,	William Pennington, Governor, three months' salary,	500.00	
	Isaac Southard, treasurer, six months' salary,	500.00	
	Henry W. Green, chancery reporter, one year's salary, due February 28th, 1842,	200.00	
	John Millege, for attendance on court of chancery, seventeen days,	17.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	111,566.	29½

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1842.			Dolls.	Cts.
July 23,	Paid Stephen L. B. Baldwin, for printing pamphlet laws of 1841 and '2,	337.50		
	Josiah Harrison, balance in full for printing Harrison's supreme court reports, vol. 3,	653.50		
			102,316.98½	
	George T. Olmstead, inspector of Mercer county brigade,	30.00		
August 1,	R. E. Horner, secretary of council, on account of enrolling minutes of same,	75.20		
	D. G. Fitch, for printing journal of Council for 1841 and '2,	496.00		
	J. J. Vanderbeck, sheriff of Passaic county, for transporting one prisoner, and one bill of cost on conviction, &c.,	182.71		
2,	Parker Clark, three months' pension, due August 1st, 1842,	15.00		
	Stephen Truesdel, three months pension, due July 26th, 1842,	15.00		
3,	Joseph C. Hornblower, chief justice, three months' salary, due August 1st, 1842, and for holding four circuits,	495.00		
4,	Edward Sanderson, on account of printing chancery reports, Green, volume 1,	300.00		
	James Brooks, on order of inspectors of state prison, for a new steam boiler, for the use of the prison,	287.52		
	Ephraim Miller, collector of Gloucester county, ten bills of cost on inquisition,	75.83		
	James S. Nevius, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, due 16th August, 1842,	350.00		
	James S. Nevius, for holding four circuits,	120.00		

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	111,566.29½
August 1,	To Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, transit duties,	2,097.41
Sept. 17,	State prison, on account of surplus earnings,	800.00
		114,463.70½

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
August 4,	Paid Thomas L. Southard, for distributing to the several counties, state pamphlet laws, supreme court, and chancery reports,	90.00	
12,	John Moore White, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding one circuit,	380.00	
18,	Isaac Hillyard, sheriff of Burlington county, for transporting one prisoner, and eight bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	422.43	
	Charles Allen, sheriff of Monmouth county, for transporting one prisoner, and two bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	197.96	
	Daniel Harris, six months' pension, due August 18th, 1842,	30.00	
	Ambrose Clark, do	30.00	
	Robert Allen, six months' pension, due May 11th, 1842,	20.00	
	John Bartley, six months' pension, due August 28th, 1842,	30.00	
28,	Elijah Ward, inspector of Morris county brigade,	30.00	
	James B. Elmendor, inspector of Somerset county brigade,	30.00	
	John Nevius, three months' pension, due August 24th, 1842,	20.00	
	William Coleman, six months' pension, due August 12th, 1842,	30.00	
30,	Enoch Lanning, for painting, by order of inspectors of state prison,	48.12	
	Samuel Brearly, for iron for state prison,	11.82	
	James Lanning, six months pension, due Sept. 1st, 1842,	30.00	
	Reuben Clark, three months' pension, due August 28th,	15.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	114,463.	70½

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1842.			Dolls. Cts
August 30,	Paid Robert Pharez, six months' pension, due Sept. 1st, 1842,	30.00	
	Sebastian Boughner, do 4th,	30.00	
	Archibald Campbell, do	30.00	
	William Smick, three do	15.00	
	Thomas F. Randolph, six do	30.00	
	Jonathan Hand, do	30.00	
	Edward Allen, do	30.00	
	John Walling, do	30.00	
	Robert Hamilton, inspector of Mercer county brigade,	30.00	
	John G. Spear, inspector of Hudson county brigade,	30.00	
Sept. 6,	Ira C. Whitehead, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding four circuits,	470.00	
	Thomas L. Southard, for delivering journals of Council, and of Assembly, and laws of U. States, to several counties,	85.00	
7,	Josiah Harrison, supreme court reporter, six months' salary,	100.00	
	William Courter, six months' pension, due September 4th, 1842,	30.00	
10,	State Bank at Camden, six months' interest on treasurer's note of $6,000,	184.44	
	Newark Banking and Insurance Company, six months' interest on treasurer's note of $8,000,	204.00	
			107,533.01½
	Tunis Felter, six months' pension, due Sept. 1st, 1842,	30.00	
	Jonathan Morgan, do 4th,	30.00	
	Henry Feaster, do	30.00	
	George Tayler, do 15th,	30.00	
	Aaron Camp, do 4th,	20.00	
	Christopher Philhower, do	30.00	
	Archibald Algar, do	30.00	
	Joseph G. Brearly, for oil for state prison,	43.85	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	114,463.	70½

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
Sept. 7,	Paid Alexander V. Bonnell, inspector of Hunterdon county brigade,	30.00	
	Robert Shay, do Warren do	30.00	
	Daniel Elmer, associate justice of supreme court, three months' salary, and for holding four circuits,	470.00	
17,	Benjamin Cozier, six months' pension, due Sept. 15th, 1842,	30.00	
	James Farrel, fifteen days' pension, being to the time of his death,	2.50	
	Nathan Elmer, six months' pension,	30.00	
	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, on order of inspectors, for repairs, &c. of prison,	774.44	
	Asher Temple, constable, for attending supreme court eleven days,	8.25	
	Samuel B. Scattergood, constable, for attending supreme court eleven days,	8.25	
21,	Newark Banking and Insurance Company, six months' interest on treasurer's note of $4,000, renewed at five months,	102.00	
	State Bank at Camden, six months' interest on treasurer's note of $6,000,	180.00	
	Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, six months' interest on treasurer's note of $6,000,	307.40	
October 10,	John Bacon, treasurer of Pennsylvania Institution, for instruction, &c., of deaf and dumb,	621.93	
	Mark Ware, sheriff of Gloucester county, for transporting four prisoners, and four bills of costs, &c.,	242.15	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	114,463.70½
Sept. 21,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, and Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, interest on bonds,	510.00
October 10,	New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	2,137.56
19,	Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, transit duties,	5,787.52
20,	Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, transit duties,	2,587.66
		125,486.14½

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1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
October 10,	Paid Joseph Cunningham, late postmaster at Trenton, postage account of court of errors,	58.30	
	John McKelway, postmaster at Trenton, postage account of Governor and Treasurer,	25.51	
18,	Daniel Baker, armorer of state arsenal, three months' salary,	100.00	
	William D. Rice, assistant armorer of state arsenal,	78.00	
19,	J. M. Decamp, sheriff of Morris county, for transporting four prisoners, and sixteen bills of costs on conviction, &c.,	625.76	
20,	John Moore White associate justice of supreme court, for holding three circuits,	90.00	
	Jacob B. Gaddis, keeper of state prison, three months' salary,	250.00	
	Charles Sutterly, clerk do	175.00	
	Henry D. Cook, deputy keeper,	125.00	
	John E. Bellerjeau, do	125.00	
	Thomas Neal, do	125.00	
	Richard Campbell, do	125.00	
	Samuel Snediker, do	125.00	
	Joseph Adams, do	112.00	
	John Gallager, night watch,	92.00	
	Joseph Stewart, do	92.00	
	Henry Roth, deputy keeper,	100.00	
	George W. Sutterly, door-keeper	75.00	
	James Petit, assistant do	45.00	
	Ann Sutterly, matron,	39.00	
	James B. Coleman, physician,	25.00	
	Isaac Southard, commissioner, expenses to Washington, &c.,	45.00	
	Profit and loss account,	61.00	
25,	Isaac Southard, treasurer of New Jersey, six months' salary,	500.00	
	Charles G. McChesney, secretary of State, for filing election returns, issuing commissions, &c.,	130.00	

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	125,486.14½
October 25,	To amount received from William Pennington, Governor, on account of pedlars' licenses,	214.00
		125,700.14½

with the State of New Jersey. CONTRA. CR.

1842.		Dolls. Cts.
October 25, Paid State Bank at Brunswick, five months' interest on treasurer's note of $5,000,	125.75	
William Pennington, Governor, three months' salary,	500.00	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company, six months' interest on renewal of note of $8,000,	244.00	
		14,828.60½
Amount due from different banks, on deposit to credit of Treasury.		
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank of Trenton,	4127.42	
Princeton Bank,	2587.66	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	1928.38	
State Bank at Newark,	279.26	
Trenton Banking Company,	94.53	
State Bank at Camden,	180.00	
State Bank at New Brunswick,	793.79	
Due from 1st Presbyterian and St. Paul's churches, Paterson, now in suit,	315.25	
In hands of Treasurer,	565.25	
		10,871.54
		125,700.14½

The Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the Treasurer, having examined the foregoing account current, and the evidences relating thereto, and compared the same with the books in his office, do hereby certify that the account is correctly stated; and that they find in the hands of the Treasurer standing to his credit in the several banks, as stated in the accompanying report, a balance of ten thousand eight hundred and seventy-one dollars and fifty-four cents.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
A. BOYLES, } *Com. of Council.*

THO. H. WHITNEY,
THOS. C. THROCKMORTON,
JACOB H. WINTER,
DAVID T. COOPER,
THOS. HARRISON, } *Committee of Assembly.*

Dr. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.			Dolls. Cts.
	Balance in the treasury from last account,		11,740.86
January 7,	To Farmers' Bank of New Jersey, at Mount Holly, tax on capital stock,	500.00	
	Bonds, &c., for Paterson lands, principal,	518.00	
	Interest on the same,	610.66	
19,	Commercial Bank of New Jersey at Perth Amboy, tax on capital stock,	150.00	
February 2,	Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company, interest and dividends,	900.00	
	State Bank at Elizabeth, tax on capital stock,	1000.00	
	Mechanics' Bank, Newark, do	2500.00	
	Orange Bank, do	500.00	
	State Bank at Morris, do	500.00	
	Morris County Bank, do	401.25	
	Union Bank of Dover, do	250.00	
	Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Rahway, do	650.00	
9,	Newark City, interest on loan,	1100.00	
23,	Passaic county, do	180.00	
April 3,	Princeton Bank, tax on capital stock,	450.00	
	Mechanics' Bank, Burlington, tax on capital stock,	225.00	
	Cumberland Bank, do	260.12	
	Salem Bank, do	267.92	
	Burlington County Bank at Medford, do	350.00	
	Farmers and Mechanics' Bank, at Middletown Point, do	125.00	
15,	New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company, interest and dividends,	3500.00	
16,	Sussex county, interest on loan,	400.00	
	Newark Banking and Insurance Company, tax on capital stock,	2543.25	
	State Bank at Newark, do	2000.00	

with the New Jersey School Fund. CONTRA. CR.

1842.		Dolls.	Cts.
April 25,	Paid David Ryerson, collector of Sussex county, amount of school fund apportioned to said county,	1518.75	
	George Flommerfelt, do. Warren county do.,	1635.75	
	James Wood, do. Morris county, do.,	2352.00	
	Henry W. Banta, do. Bergen county, do.,	1000.50	
	J. D. Van Winkle, do. Hudson county, do.,	615.00	
	James W. Wade, do. Essex county, do.,	2664.00	
	Cornelius G. Garrison, do. Passaic county, do.,	768.00	
	Nicholas Boraem, do. Middlesex county, do.,	2049.00	
	Ephraim Miller, do. Gloucester county, do.,	2184.00	
	Samuel Ware, do. Salem county county, do.,	1617.00	
	Jonathan Holmes, do. Cumberland county, do.,	1189.50	
	William Westcott, do. Atlantic county, do.,	349.50	
	Charles Hand, do. Cape May county, do.,	484.50	
May 4,	Robert S. Smith, do. Somerset county, do.,	1882.50	
	James S. Hulme, do. Burlington county, do.,	2857.50	
	Furman Hendrickson, do. Monmouth county, do.,	2793.00	
	George P. Mollison, Attorney General,	150.00	
	Joseph Besson, collector of Hunterdon county, amount of school fund apportioned to said county,	2326.50	
	George S. Green, do. Mercer county do.,	1710.00	
August 2,	Day & Warren for advertising,	.75	

DR. *Isaac Southard, Treasurer, in account*

1842.			Dolls. Cts.
April, 16,	To Belvidere Bank, tax on capital stock,	427.25	
	People's Bank at Paterson, do	375.00	
	Trenton Banking Company, do	1073.70	
	Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, do	623.40	
	Sussex Bank, do	337.50	
	State Bank at New Brunswick, do	590.63	
	State Bank at Camden, do	1300.00	
	New Hope Delaware Bridge Company, do	1597.94	
May 3,	Anderson Lalor, interest on bond, &c.,	600.00	
25,	Jonathan Hopper, principal and interest of bond, &c.,	298.25	
Sept. 29,	Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company, interest on loan,	900.00	
	Newark city, do	600.00	
	New Jersey Rail Road, and Transportation Company, interest and dividends,	3500.00	
	Cumberland Bank, dividends on forty shares capital stock,	120.00	
	Sussex Bank, do. twenty do.,	70.00	
	Trenton Banking Company, do.,	214.65	
			32,509.52
			44,250.38

with the New Jersey School Fund. CONTRA. CR.

1842.			Dolls. Cts.
August 2,	Paid Mead for advertising,	.50	
	Isaac Southard, treasurer, expenses at Paterson,	10.63	
			30,161.88
	Temporary loan to state,		349.60
	Balance due from different Banks on deposit:		
	Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton,	4705.60	
	Trenton Banking Company,	1754.44	
	Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	3530.26	
	State Bank at Newark,	3219.12	
	State Bank at New Brunswick,	260.03	
	State Bank at Camden,	14.50	
	Sussex Bank,	45.00	
	Cumberland Bank,	60.12	
	New Hope Delaware Bridge Company,	10.00	
	In hands of Treasurer,	139.83	
			13,738.90
			44,250.38

The Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the Treasurer, having examined the foregoing accounts, and the evidences relating thereto, and compared the same with the books in which the school fund accounts are kept, do hereby certify that the same is in all things correctly stated; and that the balance in the hands of the Treasurer and standing to credit in the several banks, is thirteen thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight dollars and ninety cents.

SAMUEL BOLTON,
A. BOYLES, } *Com. of Council.*

THO. H. WHITNEY,
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THOS. HARRISON, } *Committee of Assembly.*

A SUMMARY STATEMENT

Charges.

		Dolls. Cts.
Balance in treasury per last year, standing to credit of general charges,	7,422.56	
Received from state tax,	30,000.00	
" From loans from banks,	39,000.00	
" From transit duties,	32,637.58½	
" For dividends,	12,000.00	
" For pedlar's licenses,	770.00	
" For interest on bonds,	1,020.00	
" From state prison, surplus earnings,	1,600.00	
" For tax on capital stock,	1,250.00	
		125,700.14½

FROM TREASURER'S BOOKS.

Allowances.

		Dolls. Cts.
Paid State account,	2,306.73	
Legislature, &c.,	25,446.43	
Incidental account,	3,154.23	
State arsenal,	710.00	
Salaries,	14,100.00	
Postage account,	2,177.79	
Printing,	3,427.00	
Support and instruction of deaf and dumb,	1,618.66	
do. do. of blind,	1,329.31	
Inquisitions,	1,048.47½	
Transportations and costs,	4,299.45	
State prison,	8,983.01	
Revolutionary pensions,	2,040.47	
State library,	169.37	
Military account,	370.00	
Constables account,	63.00	
Interest do	2,523.68	
Special loans,	41,000.00	
Profit and loss account,	61.00	
		114,828.60½

On deposit to the credit of the Treasury:

Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,	4,127.42	
Princeton Bank,	2,587.66	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	1,928.38	
State Bank at Newark,	279.26	
Trenton Banking Company,	94.53	
State Bank at Camden,	180.00	
State Bank at New Brunswick,	793.79	
Due from 1st Presbyterian and St. Paul's churches, at Paterson, (in suit)	315.25	
In hands of Treasurer,	565.25	
		10,871.54
		125,700.14½

Dr. *Balance Sheet, or General Statement of*

Stocks.		
Amount of state fund invested in stocks:		
1000 shares Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company stock,	$100,000.00	
1000 shares Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Co. and Delaware and Raritan Canal Co., joint stock,	100,000.00	
		$200,000.00
On Bonds.		
Surplus Revenue loaned to the several counties,	$764,670.60	
Joint bonds of Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company and Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,	17,000.00	
		781,670.60
Balance on hand standing to the credit of general charges,	7,422.56	
Amount of temporary loans from sundry banks,	39,000.00	
Dividends, received,	12,000.00	
Transit duties, "	32,637.58½	
State tax, "	30,000.00	
Pedlars' licenses, "	770.00	
Interest on bonds "	1,020.00	
State Prison, surplus earnings,	1,600.00	
Tax on capital stock,	1,250.00	
		$125,700.14½
		$1,107,370.74½
Balance of state funds, including surplus revenue,		$887,743.93

the Condition of the Treasury, 1842. *Cr.*

By the following disbursements:

Paid state account,		$2,306.73
" Legislative expenses,		25,446.43
" Salaries state officers,		14,100.00
" Incidental expenses,		3,154.23
" State Prison,		8,983.01
" Transportations and costs,		4,299.45
" State Arsenal,		710.00
" For instruction &c. of deaf and dumb,		1,618.66
" " " blind,		1,329.31
" Revolutionary pensions,		2,040.47
" Military officers,		370.00
" Inquisitions,		1,048.47½
" Printing account,		3,427.00
" Postage "		2,177.79
" State library,		169.37
" Constables attending Supreme Court,		63.00
" Interest account,		2,523.68
" Temporary loans,		41,000.00
" Profit and loss account,		61.00
		$114,828.60½

On deposit to the credit of Treasury:

Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,	$4,127.42	
Princeton Bank,	2,587.66	
Newark Banking and Insurance Co.	1,928.38	
State Bank at Newark,	279.26	
Trenton Banking Company,	94.53	
State Bank at Camden,	180.00	
State Bank at New Brunswick,	793.79	
Due from 1st Presbyterian and St. Paul's churches, at Paterson, (in suit)	315.25	
In hands of Treasurer,	565.25	
		10,871.54
		$125,700.14½
Amount due School Fund,		93,926.67
By balance due,		887,743.93
		$1,107,370.74½

Dr. *Balance Sheet, or General Statement of*

Stocks.		
Amount of School Fund invested in stocks:		
40 shares Cumberland Bank stock,	$2,000 00	
20 " Sussex Bank,	1,000 00	
159 " Trenton Banking Co.	4,770 00	
250 " New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company,	12,500 00	
		$20,270 00
Loans.		
Loan to New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company,	$100,000 00	
Loan to Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company,	30,000 00	
Loan to Newark city,	30,000 00	
" Sussex county,	8,000 00	
" Anderson Lalor,	12,000 00	
" State of New Jersey,	93,926 67	
" Passaic county,	3,000 00	
" Donatian Biensie,	3,000 00	
Bonds and interest due and unpaid for Paterson lands,	19,469 21	
		299,395 88
Amount received.		
Balance on hand from last year,	11,740 86	
Bank tax,	18,997 96	
Dividends on stock,	1,404 65	
Interest on loans,	11,290 66	
On bonds for Paterson lands,	816 25	
		44,250 38
Amount due for bank tax, considered doubtful,	11,090 85	
Amount on deposit,	13,738 90	
		24,829 75
		$388,746 01
Balance due, being total amount of School Fund,		$344,495 63

the Condition of the School Fund, 1842. *Cr.*

By the following disbursements:

Paid for the support of common schools to the			
	Collector of Morris,	$2,352 00	
"	" Warren,	1,638 75	
"	" Sussex,	1,518 75	
"	" Bergen,	1,000 50	
"	" Hudson,	615 00	
"	" Essex,	2,664 00	
"	" Passaic,	768 00	
"	" Middlesex,	2,049 00	
"	" Gloucester,	2,184 00	
"	" Salem,	1,617 00	
"	" Cumberland,	1,189 50	
"	" Atlantic,	349 50	
"	" Cape May,	484 50	
"	" Somerset,	1,882 50	
"	" Burlington,	2,857 50	
"	" Monmouth,	2,793 00	
"	" Hunterdon,	2,326 50	
"	" Mercer,	1,710 00	
"	Incidental account,	161 88	
			$30,161 88
Amount of temporary loans by state this year,			349 60
Balance due from different banks on deposit, viz:			
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton,		4,705 60	
Trenton Banking Company,		1,754 44	
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,		3,530 26	
State Bank at Newark,		3,219 12	
State Bank at New Brunswick,		260 03	
Sussex Bank,		45 00	
State Bank at Camden,		14 50	
Cumberland Bank,		60 12	
New Hope Delaware Bridge Company,		10 00	
In hands of Treasurer,		139 63	
			13,738 90
			$44,250 38
	Balance due,		344,495 63
			$388,746 01

A SUMMARY STATEMENT OF SCHOOL FUND.

		Amount rec'd.	Amount paid.	Total am't S. F.
1	Balance in the treasury, as by last accounts,	11,740.86		
2	Amount received from bank tax,	18,997.96		
3	Forty shares Cumberland Bank stocks,			2,000.00
4	Amount received from instalment on third item,	120.00		
5	Loan to New Jersey Rail Road and Transportation Company,			100,000.00
6	Amount received from interest on fifth item,	6,000.00		
7	Twenty shares of Sussex Bank stock,			1,000.00
8	Amount received from instalments on seventh item,	70.00		
9	Loan to Newark city,			30,000.00
10	Amount received from interest on ninth item,	1,700 00		
11	Loans to Morris and Essex Rail Road and Transportation Company,			30,000.00
12	Amount received from interest on eleventh item,	1,800.00		
13	One hundred and fifty-nine share of Trenton Banking Company stock,			4,770.00
14	Amount received from intalments on thirteenth item,	214 65		
15	Two hundred and fifty shares of Newark Turnpike stock, exchanged for New Jersey Rail Road stock,			12,500.00
16	Amount received from dividends guarantied on fifteenth item,	1,000.00		
17	Loan to Anderson Lalor, on bond and mortgage,			12,000.00
18	Amount received from interest on seventeenth item,	600.00		
19	Loan to Sussex county, on bond and mortgage,			8,000.00
20	Amount received from interest on nineteenth item,	400.00		

21	Loan to Passaic county on bond and mortgage,				3,000.00
22	Amount received from interest on twenty-first item,		180.00		
23	Loan to the state of New Jersey,	88,280.26			
24	Balance due on temporary loans to state this year,	349.60		349.60	
25	Amount of interest received on twenty-third item,	5,296.81			
					93,926.67
26	Amount paid for incidental expenses,			161.88	
27	Amount paid to the several counties for the support of common schools,			30,000.00	
28	Loan to D. Biensie, on bond and mortgage,	3,000.00			
29	Amount of interest due and unpaid on twenty-eighth item,	180 00			
					3,180.00
30	Amount of bonds unpaid for Paterson lands, and interest due thereon and unpaid,				19,289.21
31	Amount received from J. Van Blarcom, and others, on bonds for Paterson lands,	816.25			
32	Amount of interest received on bonds, &c., for Paterson lands,	610.66			
			1,426.91		
	Amount of bank tax due and unpaid, viz:				
	Morris Canal and Banking Company, $5,000 in suit, and $5,000 due,	10,000.00			
	Belville Bank,	749.75			
	Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of New Brunswick,	341.10			
					11,090.85

		Amount rec'd	Amount paid.	Total am't S. F.
Balance due from different banks on deposit.				
Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank of Trenton,	4,705.60			
Trenton Banking Company,	1,754.44			
Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	3,530.26			
State Bank at Camden,	14.50			
State Bank at Newark,	3,219.12			
State Bank at New Brunswick,	260.03			
Sussex Bank,	45.00			
Cumberland Bank,	60.12			
New Hope Delaware Bridge Company,	10.00			
In hands of Treasurer,	139.83			
			13,738.90	13,738.90
		$44,250.38	$44,250.38	$344,495.63

Mr. French, from the special committee to whom had been referred the petition of Rachel N. Whitall, praying for an act to authorize the conveyance of certain trust property, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to amend the charter of the Hudson County Mutual Insurance Company,"

Was taken up and read a third time.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	French,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Brinley,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cook,	Lum,	Throckmorton,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Mount,	Ware,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Willets,
Field,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—42.

NAYS.

Mr. Dawes, Mr. Ware—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same; the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal certain acts therein named,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Whitney called up the resolution, offered by him some days since, relative to an adjournment of the present session,

Which was read as follows:

Resolved, That this House will terminate its present sitting on Saturday, the 5th proximo, and meet again on Tuesday, the day of January next.

Mr. Whitney moved to amend the same by striking out after the word "on" in the second line. "Saturday, the 5th proximo," and insert in lieu thereof, "Friday, the 11th instant;" and also, to insert "10th" in the blank in the last line;

Which amendments were agreed to.

The question then being on the adoption of the resolution as amended, it was agreed to as follows:

Resolved, That this House will terminate its present sitting on Friday, the 11th instant, and meet again on Tuesday, the 10th day of January next.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have passed the following bills entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of John T. Halsey, deceased, late of Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex;" and

"An act to divorce John W. Walling, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife Rachel Walling;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council, entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of John T. Halsey, deceased, late of Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex;"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The bill from Council, entitled,

"An act to divorce John W. Walling, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife, Rachel Walling,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled, "an act relative to the Borough of Princeton,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment;

Which bill was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

And on motion of Mr. Baker, the rule was dispensed with, and the said bill

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered that the clerk inform Council that the said bill has passed this House without amendment.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, November 4.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce John W. Walling, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife Rachel Walling,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Winter asked and obtained leave to withdraw from the files of the House, the resolution offered by him some days since, relative to the payment of postage by the state.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal certain acts therein named,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to

Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,

An act to divorce John W. Walling, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife Rachel Walling,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Conover, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day was dispensed with, and the said bill

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered that the clerk inform Council that the said bill has passed this House without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold, jr., and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property."

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Wheaton presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Atlantic;

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council, entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of John Halsey, deceased, late of Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment;

Which bill was taken up, and read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lum, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day, was dispensed with, and the said bill

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Cook moved to reconsider the resolution passed yesterday, relative to the adjournment of the present sitting, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That this House will terminate its present sitting on Friday, the 11th instant, and meet again on Tuesday, the 10th day of January next;

And the question being on the motion to reconsider, and the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
Green,	Richards,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	Willets—28.
Harrison,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Schenck,
Bonnell,	Flomerfelt,	Srope,
Brinley,	French,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Clark,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Ridgway,	Winter,
Dawes,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—28.
Demarest,		

So the motion to reconsider was not agreed to.

Mr. Ryerson asked and obtained leave to withdraw certain papers, relative to the application of Maria Marcelles, executrix.

of Cornelius E. Marcelles, deceased, for an act to convey certain real estate.

Mr. Butcher gave notice that he should at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, November 5.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred so much of the Governor's message, as relates to the apportionment of the state into districts for the election of representatives in Congress,

Reported a bill to the House entitled,

"An act to prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for representatives in Congress from this state;"

Which was read, ordered to a second reading, and on motion of Mr. Richards, was made the order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Mount from the committee on public printing, presented the following report:

The joint committee on public printing, beg leave to report the following joint resolution:

Resolved, (by the Council and General Assembly of this state,) That Josiah Harrison, of Camden, be employed to print sixteen hundred copies of the law reports: that Edward Sanderson, of Elizabethtown, be employed to print sixteen hundred copies of the chancery reports; and that David F. Randolph, of New Brunswick, be employed to print sixteen hundred copies of the laws: that they print the same in as condensed a form as a proper execution of the work will admit, on large octavo pages, trimmed, and in other respects corresponding with those heretofore printed; and be paid therefor twenty-seven dollars per sheet, each: that Augustus S. Barber, of Woodbury, be employed to print the votes and proceedings

of Assembly, and index to the same; and that Samuel P. Hull, of Morristown, be employed to print the journal of the proceedings of the Legislative Council, and of joint meeting; and that they each print thirteen hundred copies thereof, respectively, at nineteen dollars per sheet, in a form so condensed, in all suitable respects, as to be equivalent in the diminution of bulk and cost, to a reduction of twelve and a half per cent. on the prices paid for printing the same last year, and in other respects to correspond with those heretofore printed.

Which joint resolution was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the support of the government of this state;"

Which was read, ordered to a second reading, and on motion of Mr. Whitney, was made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Bonnell presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Sussex;

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Congar, from the joint committee on state prison accounts, presented the following report and tabular statements:

JOINT COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The Joint Committee of the Council and General Assembly, appointed to examine the accounts of the State Prison, respectfully REPORT:

That in pursuance of the duty assigned them, they have carefully examined the books of the institution, and find them to have been neatly and correctly kept. They have also compared the items of the cash account with the original vouchers, which were submitted to their inspection, and have satisfied themselves that no discrepancy exists between them.

The labors of the committee have been greatly relieved by the attendance of Jacob B. Gaddis, Keeper of the Prison, and of Mr. Sutterley, the Clerk, to whose statements and explanations in relation to the various subjects which occupied their atten-

tion, the committee were greatly indebted. Every facility was afforded by those officers to the most complete investigation of the finances and condition of the Prison; and the committee cannnot refrain from a public expression of obligation for their valuable assistance.

The finances of the Prison are in the most gratifying condition, as will appear by statement A, appended to this report. The earnings of the Prison during the past year have exceeded the expenses by the amount of four thousand one hundred and seventy-eight dollars and twenty-two cents. The amount of cash on hand on the 1st day of October, to meet the current expenses, was two thousand eight hundred and forty-eight dollars and six cents. And as a further evidence of the success with which the institution has been conducted, the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars has been paid into the treasury of the state. This favorable result has been produced in a great measure by the operation of the system of cash sales and purchases, adopted by the present Keeper, and by the rigid economy which has regulated his expenditures.

The committee have also thoroughly inspected the Prison itself, have visited many of the cells and examined the condition of their inmates. Important improvements have been made during the past year in the apparatus for heating the cells, and it is believed that no further difficulty will arise to prevent the apartments from being comfortably heated during the most intense cold to which our climate is subject. The provisions and clothing of the prisoners are in all respects suitable to their wants, and their general health is very good. The testimony of every succeeding year is thus accumulating in favor of the system of punishment for crime sanctioned by our laws. The prisoner condemned to solitary confinement at hard labor, has leisure to reflect upon the folly and wickedness which have consigned him to the walls of a dungeon, and to resolve upon a new course of action after his release. He is withdrawn from the contamination of guilty associations, and can hardly fail to deplore the errors by which he has been reduced to so pitiable a condition. Both as a means of punishment and of reformation to criminals, the committee believe that the present system is admirably adapted to fulfil the wishes of its friends and advocates.

The small appropriation of one hundred dollars, which was made by the last Legislature, for the purpose of procuring a library of useful books for the improvement of the prisoners, has been wisely and judiciously expended by the Keeper, under the direction of the Inspectors. There is now attached to the Prison a library of nearly three hundred volumes for the use of

the convicts. The books are well selected, and the prisoners avail themselves of the privilege of reading them with great alacrity. Their minds are thus engaged and exercised, and they are prevented from falling into that besotted and stupid condition which is sometimes the result of solitary confinement.

In relation to the business operations of the Prison, the committee have prepared a tabular statement, which accompanies this report, and which will exhibit in a brief, yet satisfactory manner, the nature of those operations, and the balances of profit and loss of the various departments of manufacturing industry which are conducted therein.

It appears from the books of the State Prison, submitted to the inspection of the committee, that a number of accounts (mostly of long standing) have been brought forward from year to year and included in the stock account as so much nett capital belonging to the Prison. The present Keeper assures the committee that he has made diligent efforts to collect them, but without success, and that he believes them to be bad. The committee have, therefore, directed (subject to the approval of the legislature) that a number of bills, receivable and unsettled accounts of long standing, which are estimated to be unavailable, shall be entered in a book to be procured for that purpose, and that they shall be stricken from the regular books of the institution, viz:

Bills receivable, to the amount of	$2,942.35
Book accounts, " "	1,002.66
Charges in scrap book belonging to weaving account,	167.94
" " " cordwainers' "	24.78
" " " sundry man'f's "	6.45
" " " chair making "	42.88
Making a total amount of	$4,187.06

to which extent the apparent nett capital will be reduced.

Schedule B, herewith annexed, will show the individual accounts included in the above amounts.

The committee have also directed the account with the State Treasurer, now open on the books, to be closed; for the reason that the amount of nine thousand four hundred dollars, standing to his credit, is not a *bona fide* debt of the institution, but is a part of a sum of eleven thousand dollars, granted by the legislature some years since, to satisfy demands previously existing. The committee have, therefore, directed the said balance to be transferred to the stock account, whereby the amount of nett capital will be increased upon the books to the amount of said transfer. The aforesaid amount of eleven thousand dollars was reduced to the amount of nine thousand

four hundred dollars by two payments of eight hundred dollars each, made to the State Treasurer by Jacob B. Gaddis, the present Keeper, from the surplus earnings of the year ending September 30, 1842, and which were charged on the books to that officer.

The committee believe that this course, if sanctioned by the Legislature, will tend to simplify the accounts of the Prison, and to save the labor of future committees who may be appointed to examine them.

WILLIAM DICKEY, } *Com. of Council.*
DAVID WHITEKER, }

STEPHEN CONGAR,
ISAAC R. SROPE,
T. H. RICHARDS,
A. L. VAN BOSKERCK,
SAM. M. OLIPHANT, } *Committee of Assembly.*

STATE

A Statement showing the operations of the New Jersey State
1842, *under the administration of*

Dr. FURNITURE

To amount of Inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$6,848.80
" amount of charges since that period,	1,711.67
	$8,560.47

PROVISION

To amountof inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$913.03
" amount of charges since that period,	4,128.92
	$5,041.95

HOSPITAL

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$92.80
" amount of charges since that period,	141.54
	$234.34

FUEL

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$273.00
" amount of charges since that period.	1,883.20
	$2,156.20

MENT A.

Prison, from the 1st of October, 1841, to the 1st of October, Jacob B. Gaddis, the present Keeper.

ACCOUNT.	Cr.
By amount of credits since 1st October last,	$66.56
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	7,644.52
Loss on this account,	849.39
	$8,560.47

ACCOUNT.

By amount of credits since 1st October last,	$337.68
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	135.35
Loss on this account,	4,268.92
	$5,041.95

ACCOUNT.

By amount of credits since 1st October last,	$1.76
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842.	55.29
Loss on this account,	177.29
	$234.34

ACCOUNT.

By amount of credits since 1st October last,	$50.94
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	379.22
Loss on this account,	1,726.04
	$2,156.20

Dr. INCIDENTAL

To amount of charges for this year, ending 30th September, 1842,	$1,237.74

INTEREST

To amount of charges, 1st October, 1841,	$93.09
Balance in favor of this acount,	43.26
	$136.35

PROFIT AND LOSS

To amount of charges for bad debts since 1st October, 1841,	$36.73

WEAVING

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$1,655.80
" amount of charges since that period,	1,141.35
Gain on this account,	3,274.91
	$6,072.06

CORDWAINERS'

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$1,140.48
" amount of charges since that period.	973.99
Gain on this account,	2,856.58
	$4,971.05

CHAIR MAKING

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1841,	$3,608.09
" amount of charges since that period,	4,463.05
Gain on this account,	5,510.67
	$13,581.81

ACCOUNT. Cr.

Loss on this account,	$1,237.74

ACCOUNT.

By amount of credits since 1st October, 1841,	$136.35
	$136.35

ACCOUNT.

Loss on this account,	$36.73

ACCOUNT.

By amount of earnings since 1st October, 1841,	$4,791.10
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	1,280.96
	$6,072.06

ACCOUNT.

By amount of earnings since 1st October, 1841,	$4,398.87
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	572.18
	$4,971.05

ACCOUNT.

By amount of earnings since 1st October, 1841,	$9,202.15
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	4,379.66
	$13,581.81

Dr. SUNDRY MANUFACTURERS'

To amount of inventory, 1st October, 1842,	$203.00
" amount of charges since that period,	92.86
Gain on this account,	788.91
	$1,084.77

RECAPITULATION.

Furniture account,	$849.39
Provision "	4,268.92
Hospital, "	177.29
Fuel, "	1,726.04
Incidental "	1,237.74
Loss on bad debts,	36.73
Gain on the operations of the Prison, for the year ending 30th September, 1842	4,178.22
	$12,474.33

ACCOUNT.	Cr.
By amount of earnings since 1st October last,	$856.96
" amount of inventory, 30th September, 1842,	227.81
	$1,084.77

RECAPITULATION.

Sundry manufacturers' account,		$788.91
Chair making,	"	5,510.67
Cordwainers'	"	2,856.58
Weaving,	"	3,274.91
Interest,	"	43.26
		$12,474.33

SCHEDULE B.

BILLS RECEIVABLE, ESTIMATED AS UNAVAILABLE, VIZ:

Charles Dippolt's bal. on note,	dated	26	June,	1838,	$175.00
do do	do	3	Aug.	"	924.70
Enoch Golden's	do	21	Feb.	1839,	7.07
William A. Benjamin's	do	6	June,	"	24.78
William Adams's	do	12	July,	"	50.00
Peter Demarest's	do	19	Aug.	"	119.75
Joseph C. Wooley's	do	19	"	"	100.00
Philip Riley's balance on	do	28	"	"	61.84
Edward McLain's	do	4	Sept.	"	110.00
Peter Demarest's	do	4	"	"	76.50
J. Cranmer & E. Horner's	do	19	"	"	10.00
W. & T. Perkins's	do	30	"	"	99.00
Peter Demarest's	do	30	"	"	189.75
Noah Green's	do	9	Oct.	"	76.50
Peter Demarest's	do	29	"	"	163.75
do do	do	10	Dec.	"	152.25
John Warner's	do	27	Jan.	1840,	8.00
Bishop Davenport's	do	12	Feb.	"	90.23
Michael F. Conover's	do	9	May,	"	112.50
Joseph A. Yard's	do	1	April,	"	300.00
Orin Bailey's due bill, taken for old book account, dated 26 April, 1841,					63.27
Henry Pearson's note, taken for old book account, dated 1 February, 1842,					27.46
					$2,942.35

ON BOOK ACCOUNT.

Samuel McClurg, jr.,	$19.83
Henry C. Boswell,	57.45
Abner Mershon,	2.10
R. & S. R. Jaques,	127.01
John Ashmore,	1.60
William M. Thorp,	147.39
Jason H. Roe,	42.93
Philip F. Riley,	24.00
Robert Waddell,	14.16
Oliver Creed,	4.12
Fish, Cook & Co.,	1.60
Nathaniel Burrowes,	24.25
Richard Brandt,	2.50
John B. Abbott,	5.18
Seth Wright,	8.57
Samuel Beebee,	2.49
Andrew Newton,	6.98
Smith Scudder,	1.00
William K. Yard,	11.07
John J. Chetwood,	8.00
George Coleman,	27.00
Thomas A. Dugdale,	9,44
Trenton township,	2.70
Henry B. Howell,	23.47
Joseph Sterling,	6.83
Joseph A. Yard,	219.87
Joshua Hollinshead,	114.13
William E. Anderson,	34.00
Peter M. Mather,	17.07
Samuel L. Rose,	10.00
George L. Dean,	25.92
	$3,945.01

A LIST OF ACCOUNTS ON SCRAP BOOK CONSIDERED BAD, VIZ:

Belonging to Weaving account.

Henry Drake,	A. D.	1835,	$2.86
Henry Hutchinson,	"	"	.94
Richard Potts,	"	"	.77
Peter S. Schench,	"	1838,	3.85
Priscillar Yard,	"	1839,	15.10
James Green,	"	1837,	2.24
John Douglass,	"	"	5.58
John S. Vanderveer,	"	1838,	7.61
Ann Johnson,	"	"	2.88
Edward Murray,	"	"	2.33
Edward Young,	"	"	3.26
J. W. Updike,	"	1839,	1.68
J. B. Cook,	"	"	14.99
Elizabeth Cook,	"	"	15.00
J. H. Phillips,	"	1840,	10.90
James B. Glover,	"	"	5.89
David Eastburn,	"	1841,	25.80
Theodore Smith,	"	1837,	42.93
A. W. Phillips,	"	1838,	3.33
			$167.94

Belonging to Cordwainers' account.

Daniel D. Moore,	A. D.	1836,	$3.00
Mrs. Howe,	"	1838,	1.50
Almira Skirm,	"	1839,	.63
George W. McCulley,	"	1838,	3.50
Henry Fultmore,	"	"	1.00
Thomas M. Hopkinson,	"	1839,	4.75
Nathaniel Laning,	"	"	3.75
George Jones,	"	"	2.00
John Mershon,	"	"	3.00
Wilson Taylor,	"	"	1.50
Daniel Boden,	"	1840,	.15
			$24.78

Belonging to Sundry Manufacturers' account.

Daniel D. Moore,	A. D. 1837,	$1.05
Francis S. Labaw,	" "	1.47
Theodore Smith,	" 1838,	2.79
Noah Green,	" 1839.	1.14
		$6.45

Belonging to Chair Making account.

Charles Hankinson,	A. D. 1839,	$3.50
Catharine Smith,	" "	.63
Trustees of M. E. Church,	" "	14.00
Elizabeth Cook,	" "	12.00
Theodore Smith,	" "	12.75
		$42.88

RECAPITULATION.

Notes considered bad, total, - - -	$2,942.35
Book accounts " " - - -	1,002.66
Charges in scrap book, viz:	
Belonging to Sundry Manufacturers' account, -	6.45
do " Chair Making " -	42.88
do " Cordwainers' " -	24.78
do " Weaving, " -	167.94
Sum total,	$4,187.06

Which were read, and five hundred copies thereof, together with the report of the inspectors of the state prison, and the physician's report, (when presented,) be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Conover moved, that when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet again on Monday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

The yeas and nays being called thereon, Mr. Conover withdrew the motion.

Mr. Congar moved that when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet again on Monday morning, at ten o'clock.

The yeas and nays being called, were as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Hynard,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Schenck,
Congar,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Voorhees,
French,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Willets—34.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinley,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Ware,
Brown,	Irons,	Warne,
Butcher,	Richards,	Wheaton,
Clark,	Snowdon,	Wildrick,
Conover,	Srope,	Winter—17.
Cory,	Throckmorton,	

So the motion was agreed to.

The House then adjourned.

MONDAY, November 7.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson, praying for a law to divide the said township of Bergen into two townships;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Robins,
Baldwin,	French,	Satterthwait,
Brown,	Irons,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Kline,	Willets—14.
Cooper,	Maskell,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Srope,
Bonnell,	Mount,	Stephens,
Brinley,	Patterson,	Throckmorton,
Cook,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Ware,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Warne,
Green,	Ridgway,	Wheaton,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,	Winter—29.
Lum,	Snowdon,	

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole, Mr. Richards in the chair, upon the consideration of the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act to prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for representatives in Congress from this state;"

And after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and reported the bill to the House with an amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act to prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for representatives in Congress from this state,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and the first section being under consideration, as follows:

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That this state shall be divided into five districts, for the election of members of the House of Representatives; and that the counties of Cape May, Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester and Atlantic, shall compose one district, to be called "the first district"; the counties of Burlington, Monmouth and Mercer, shall compose one district, to be called "the second district"; the counties of Hunterdon, Warren and Sussex, shall compose one district, to be called "the third district"; the counties of Middlesex, Somerset and Morris, shall compose one district, to be called "the fourth district"; and the counties of Essex, Hudson, Bergen and Passaic, shall compose one district, to be called "the fifth district";—each of which districts shall elect one person to represent this state in the House of Representatives of the United States.

Mr. Paterson moved to strike out "*Hunterdon*" in the tenth line, and insert in lieu thereof, "*Morris*," and to strike out "*Morris*" in the twelveth line, and insert "*Hunterdon*";

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. Ware,
Brinly,	Mattison,	Warne,
Brown,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Butcher,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Srope,	Winter—17.
Flomerfelt,	Throckmorton,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Willets—29.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

The fifth section of the bill being under consideration, Mr. Congar moved that the House disagree to the amendment made in said section in committee of the whole;

Which was agreed to.

The bill was read through by sections, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mattison presented a petition from John Higgins, Jesse Higgins, and James N. Reading, praying for a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate:

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Richards presented the abstract of ratables of the county of Burlington.

Mr. Field presented the abstract of ratables of the county of Middlesex;

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Baker offered the following:

Ordered that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly are now ready to go into joint meeting, for the

appointment of such state and county officers as may be deemed necessary, and request Council to name time and place;

Which was read and adopted.

Pursuant to notice previously given, Mr. Butcher asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state;"

Which bill was read, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The joint resolution relative to public printing,

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House of Assembly concurring) That a joint committee of both Houses be appointed to investigate the charges contained in the treasurer's account for the postage of the members of the last Legislature;

And have appointed Messrs. Boyles and Moffet on the part of Council, and request the appointment of a similar committee on the part of the House of Assembly;

Which concurrent resolution was taken up, read and adopted, and Messrs. Whitney, Throckmorton and Ryerson, appointed said committee on the part of the House of Assembly.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the concurrent resolution from Council, relative to the appointment of a committee to examine the postage account of last year, and have appointed Messrs. Whitney, Throckmorton and Ryerson, a committee on their part.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, November 8.

At ten o'clock the House met.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for representatives in Congress from this state;"

Was taken up, read a third time, when

Mr. Bonnell moved to postpone the further consideration thereof to the next sitting of this Legislature;

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinly,	Irons,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Mattison,	Ware,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Clark,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—22.
Field,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Willets—32.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	

So the motion to postpone was not agreed to.

The question recurring upon the final passage of the bill,

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Willets—32.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinley,	Irons,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Mattison,	Ware,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Clark,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Field,	N. Smith;	Zabriskie—22.
Flomerfelt,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the Assembly entitled,

"An act to repeal certain acts therein named,"

Without amendment.

Also, that Council will be ready to go into joint meeting for the appointment of such state and county officers as may be deemed necessary at 4 o'clock this afternoon, in the Assembly room.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to public printing,
Was taken up and read a third time.
Upon the question—Shall this joint resolution pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Brown,	Kline,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Maskell,	Throckmorton,
Congar,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Potter,	Warne,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Field,	Robins,	Wildrick,
French,	Ryerson,	Willets—37.
Green,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. N. Smith,	Messrs. Srope,
Mattison,	Brinley,	Ware,—6.

Ordered that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said joint resolution, and request their concurrence.

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole, Mr. Congar in the chair, upon the consideration of the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act for the support of the government of this state;"

And after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and reported the bill to the House without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act for the support of the government of this state,"

Was taken up by the House, read a second time by its title, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from his excellency, the Governor, covering the document therein referred to.

TRENTON, Nov. 8, 1842.

Sir:—The enclosed communication from the Treasury Department, at Washington, received by me last evening, you will please present to the Legislature.

I have the honor to be with great respect, your obedient servant,

WM. PENNINGTON.

The Hon. SAMUEL B. HALSEY, speaker of the House of Assembly.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Nov. 4, 1842.

Sir:—I have the honor to inform you that the accounting officers have adjusted the accounts of the several states and territories, under the act of Congress entitled, "an act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved September, 4th, 1841; and that the sum of $13,050.42 has been found due the state of New Jersey, which will be paid on the application of the authorized agent of the state.

I am with great respect, your obedient servant,

McCLINTOCK YOUNG,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury.

His Excellency, the Governor of New Jersey.

The speaker laid before the House the following letter, to his excellency, the Governor, covering the following report of the commissioners appointed under a joint resolution of the two Houses of the Legislature, passed 12th March last, in relation to a State Lunatic Asylum.

To his Excellency, William Pennington,
Governor of New Jersey:

Sir:—We have the honor herewith to transmit a report on the subject of a State Lunatic Asylum, prepared in obedience

to a joint resolution of the Council and General Assembly of this state, passed on the 11th day of March, 1842.

Very respectfully, your obedient servants,

LEWIS CONDICT,
JAMES PARKER,
JOHN CLEMENT,
} *Commissioners.*

TRENTON, Nov. 3, 1842.

REPORT.

To his Excellency, William Pennington,
Governor of New Jersey:

SIR:—The undersigned, Commissioners appointed by you on the 18th of April last, under a joint resolution of the two Houses of the Legislature, passed on the 11th of March, in relation to a State Lunatic Asylum, respectfully submit the following REPORT:

In conformity with instructions contained in the joint resolution, we have attempted to discharge the duties prescribed as well as time and circumstances have enabled us.

The objects presented by the resolution for investigation are:—

First. A site for an Asylum, combining the requisites of healthy location, to be of easy and convenient access, with sufficient land, and an abundance of pure good water.

Second. The price of such a site.

Third. A plan and specifications of an Asylum, sufficient to accommodate two hundred patients.

Fourth. Proposals for building, &c.

The two first objects, viz: the site and price, are so intimately connected that they must be considered together.

At our first meeting, which was held in May, at New Brunswick, it was deemed advisable to advertise in the public papers, to receive proposals, within a time limited, for a suitable site, stating the location, quantity of land, its advantages, price, &c.

Farms have been offered in Essex, Middlesex, Somerset and Mercer counties, most of which have been viewed by the Commissioners.

We deem it unnecessary to dilate on the relative merits of all the farms which have been offered or visited. Nor do we think that a small difference in price per acre can be an object when put in competition with other considerations.

Although by the resolution, it is made the duty of the Commissioners "to select, upon due examination, a site for the erection of a State Lunatic Asylum," yet no power is given them to *purchase* or *contract*. A selection, under these circumstances, is tantamount to a preference by them, of one farm over another, having no binding efficacy upon the owner hereafter, as to his price. The farm which in 1842, he would willingly sell at seventy-five dollars per acre, in 1844 may not be bought for less than one hundred; and it is possible, that a preference now given for a particular location, may serve only to enhance its value, in the judgment of its owner hereafter. There are, however, so many good locations in market that we trust the interest of the institution will not be seriously injured by the expression of our choice at present. After much examination and reflection, we have concluded that a location near the seat of government would be most acceptable to the people at large, other circumstances being equal. We hesitated between proposals submitted by the owners of three farms near Trenton, viz: Messrs. Dickinson, Titus and Beaks. All these situations are inviting and pleasant, and as we believe, as healthful as any around Trenton. After much hesitation, we incline to prefer the farm of Mr. Titus, although better judges may differ with us in opinion.

In the appendix, annexed to this report, will be found a brief description of several farms, viewed by the Commissioners, and the price of each per acre, some of which have a survey and plate accompanying them.

We have been offered no farm with a spring sufficiently elevated to convey water by gravitation to the upper story of the building, (excepting, perhaps, Mr. Dickinson's farm, and that of Dr. J. Scudder,) unless the building be located on ground much lower than is desirable. This would be among the highest recommendations for any location, counterbalancing many objections. The managers of the State Lunatic Hospital of Massachusetts, at Worcester, after considerable experience, found it so desirable as to induce them to purchase a distant spring, of sufficient elevation to carry the water in pipes to the roof. By turning a stop-cock, any apartment may in a moment be furnished with a proper supply of this indispensable article. Independent of its utility for cleansing and bathing—the security it affords against fire, is a most important consideration. The frantic and violent are most conveniently located in the upper

story, and the efficiency of cold water by the "*douche*" or dash, in restraining the violent, has often been witnessed. Such facilities can be found only in hilly and mountainous sections of the state.

The mountain range, traversing the state from the Hudson to the Delaware, passing through Paterson, Orange and Springfield—near to Planfield and Somerville—a fertile and beautiful country, would furnish many locations, with all these conveniences for watering the whole buildings, as well as for irrigating the meadows and pasture grounds. They would be somewhat less central than Princeton or Trenton; but the turnpikes and railroads from Somerville and Morristown, connecting with others at Elizabethtown and Newark, furnish at all seasons an easy and speedy intercourse with other sections of the state, as well as with New York and Philadelphia. Owners of farms along this range of hills, have expressed a willingness to sell, although few have given written offers, supposing that locations nearer the seat of government would be preferred. Whenever the state shall determine to begin the work, its agents will consider well the advantages of mountain air and mountain streams.

The next object of inquirer is, a *plan* and *specifications* of an Asylum, sufficient to accommodate two hundred patients.

Taking the experience of other states as a safer guide than any theories of our own, we have, after considerable deliberation, concluded to recommend the State Lunatic Hospital of Massachusetts, at Worcester, as our model, with some few modifications suggested by the experience of its superintendent. A draft and plan have been obtained and accompanies this report. It consists of a centre building, four stories high, seventy-six feet in length, with parallel wings three stories high and ninety feet long, each. This constitutes the front, and is represented by the drawing having the lightest coloring No. 1.

From the end of each wing, and at right angles with them, are projected lateral wings of the same height, communicating by a hall ten or twelve feet wide, with the hall of the wing in front. This is represented by the drawing in darker colors, No. 2, done in perspective. The other three drawings show the interior arrangement and division of the building, with explanatory references. The lateral wings have been added since the construction of the front, and can be extended at pleasure, according to necessity, without marring the symmetry of the whole, and at an expense much less in proportion than that of the front. The building is of brick, and the superintendent prefers this material to stone, as being cheaper and less

damp, if properly built, with a space between the outer and inner courses.

The legislature of Massachusetts appropriated thirty thousand dollars for the front or main building, as represented by the drawing, No. 1; which is capable of accommodating about one hundred to one hundred and fifteen inmates and attendants. The basement is constructed of hammered granite; and the entire front was finished for about $24,000.

The drawings and explanations of the Worcester Asylum were received at so late a day, as not to afford time to furnish estimates in detail of the cost of its several parts and materials. From conversations with builders, the Commissioners were satisfied that no proposals or contract could now be made, to bind one party for an indefinite period, leaving the other at liberty to accept or refuse at its pleasure.

The time necessary for making detailed estimates by an architect, and advertising for proposals, would unavoidably have caused such a delay in the presentation of this report, as to prevent any efficient legislation on the subject at the present sitting. And the Commissioners offer this apology for the imperfect discharge of the duty assigned them—being well persuaded that the benevolent intention of the legislature will be better effected by speedy action than by wasting time in fruitless inquiry.

The experience of other states may probably be as sure a guide in the expenditure of money on buildings, as the calculations and estimates of architects.

In Massachusetts, the lands on which the State Lunatic Hospital, at Worcester, was built, were given by individuals. Large additions were afterwards purchased by the state. And the experience of all modern institutions, shows so strongly the benefits of field and garden labor, in restoring the insane, that we would recommend the purchase of a farm of not less than one hundred acres. For this object, an appropriation of $10,000 would be sufficient; and with cash and power to close a contract, we believe a less sum will be adequate.

We would propose a building with a front of two hundred and forty feet, on the general plan of the Worcester Asylum, which may accommodate about one hundred patients. Relying on the accuracy of the cost of that building, as stated in the report of its managers, and a reasonable deduction for the present low price of materials and labor, we think that $24,000 will cover the expense. The lateral wings, sufficient for one hundred more inmates, may be estimated at $18,000; making together the sum of $42,000, to finish a building for two hundred lunatics and attendants.

The furniture should be decent, comfortable and plain, well adapted to the nature of the institution, and becoming the character of the state. It will be visited by strangers of distinction from other states, and from other continents; and it will probably have for its inmates, persons of every rank and condition in life.

The whole expense may be estimated as follows:

Farm 80 to 100 acres,	$10,000
The Asylum of brick, with a roof of slate or metal; centre building 80 feet front by 40 feet deep, and four stories high, with two wings 80 feet front by 36 deep, and three stories high; making the entire front 240 feet, estimated at	24,000
Lateral wings, 100 feet front by 36 deep, and three stories high, at	18,000
Cost of the farm and Asylum, having accommodations for 200 patients,	$52,000
For furniture, out buildings, &c.,	23,000
	$75,000

It will be seen that the Worcester building, with a front of two hundred and forty-six feet, and lateral wings of one hundred feet each, including the preparation of the grounds, and removing nine thousand cubic yards of gravel, was finished for forty-two thousand dollars, accommodating two hundred and twenty-nine patients. It is ascertained that materials, especially *lumber*, is cheaper on the Delaware than at Worcester, and that labor is also cheaper now than in 1831–2.

The Commissioners deem it superfluous and unnecessary to add any thing like an argument, to show the expediency or necessity of such an institution. The views presented by your Excellency, in your late message to the legislature, together with the facts embodied in a former report of Commissioners, to which we beg leave to refer, and the experience of many of our sister states, furnish the strongest recommendation in favor of beginning the work with as little delay as as possible.

LEWIS CONDICT,
JAMES PARKER.
JOHN CLEMENT.

TRENTON, November 3, 1842.

Memorandum of lands viewed, as affording sites for an Asylum for the insane, referred to in the report of the Commissioners.

AT OR NEAR TRENTON.

1. *Morgan Beaks.*

A farm of seventy-eight and a quarter acres, on the turnpike road to Princeton, about a quarter of a mile from the head of Warren street, includes the homestead of Nathan Beaks, deceased, part woodland, an old orchard of large apple trees, with a number of shade trees in the yard, a good spring of water, elevated land around the house, has a brick-yard on it. The price asked, $9,000, or about $115 per acre.

2. *Philemon Dickinson.*

On the north-east side of the river road, opposite his residence, about one mile from the state house. The ground rises from the road and lays in two elevated ridges, the lowest about the level of the canal feeder, which runs through a tract of about one hundred and fifty acres, which is (apparently) about equally divided by a farm road running to the top of the second elevation, which is believed to be one hundred feet above the road. The north-westerly part joins to Thomas Cadwalader, has a good spring by a large maple tree near the top of the hill, high enough to be carried twenty-five feet above the first ridge and fifty feet above the road. There is a large spring by a copse of trees near the feeder, with pipes discharging under it, the land generally good and has been well manured, particularly that part lying south-east of the farm road, which is also nearest to Trenton. The price for either section, $100 per acre.

3. *John Titus.*

In Ewing township, two and a half miles from Trenton, on the north-east side of the river road, eighty-six acres, or upwards, of which thirty acres are in good wood. There is a

good site for the building south-east of the wood, the land good and in good order, with a handsome new frame dwelling house, to which water is supplied by a forcing pump, moved by water power from a copious spring on the south-west side of the road, which affords a plentiful supply for all purposes required. With the privilege of this supply of water, and the machinery of the forcing pump, the price asked is $10,000, equal to $116 per acre.

4. *Estate of Charles Ewing.*

Forty acres, three-quarters of a mile from the head of Warren street, on the old road and straight turnpike to New Brunswick, running south-easterly to the canal, a loamy soil for the greater part, below the hill and adjoining to the canal apparently cold soil requiring drains, buildings of little value, no wood or shade trees. An elevated pleasant situation, inclines to the south-east. Price $125 per acre.

5. *Estate of Charles Higbee.*

Adjoins to the above, one mile from Trenton, land similar to the last, but more improved, a small stone barn and a small house, with a fine spring, but low situation, no wood, a few apple trees. Price $125 per acre.

6. *George S. Green.*

One hundred and six acres, late of William Grant, one and a half miles from Trenton, on the road to Bordentown and White Horse, good buildings and land well improved, land lies level, no spring but good well. Price $12,000, or $113¼ per acre.

7. *Benjamin Hayden.*

Sixty acres, near the Pennington road, about one and a half miles from Trenton, buildings of little value. Price $100 per acre.

AT OR NEAR PRINCETON.

8. *Dr. Jacob Scudder.*

Farm about one and a half miles from the college and north-west of the main road, two hundred and fifty acres, of which one hundred acres, or the whole are offered. The farm does not adjoin the road, but there is an open road leading to it between lands of Elijah Blackwell and William Gulick. The house is on an elevated ridge of land, and south-west of it a field about twelve chains wide affords a good site, though entirely without trees, containing about fifteen acres. To extend this width north-westerly to the hill, would include probably sixty or seventy acres, and if the land of Mr. Blackwell, lying south-east, were purchased to the road, would comprise about one

hundred acres, or more. In the wood on the mountain is a large spring, (said to be never failing) which is much higher than the site referred to, and would, it is believed, afford every necessary supply of good water, to be carried by an aqueduct. Price $60 per acre.

9. *Isaac Gulick.*

One hundred acres, the northerly part of his farm, on Millstone river, extending back to the hill, which contains some good timber and springs of water, buildings not of much value, about fifteen acres in wood. Price $60 per acre.

10. *William Gulick.*

One hundred and sixty acres, one mile north of Princeton, in the forks of the roads to Rocky Hill and Harlingen, about ninety acres cleared and seventy in wood, with a small house and barn, stated to contain good springs of water in the hill north of the cleared land, considerably elevated above it.—Price $40 per acre.

11. *George T. Olmsted.*

One hundred acres on the straight turnpike, extending northwest to the railroad depot, a good house, barn, garden and orchard, said to contain a large spring about the centre, few or no shade trees on the north-west part, a fine farm. Price $100 per acre.

12. *Estate of John G. Schenck.*

Ninety-six acres of land on the road from Princeton to Hightstown, south of and adjoining John Potter, Esq., extends along the road to Stony Brook, has a fine wood on the bank of upland and a good stone quarry, a barn and small dwelling house, a large spring in the north-east corner, but low and the water runs from the tract and crosses the road to lands of other persons. No price stated by the owner, but said to be $80 per acre.

AT OR NEAR NEW BRUNSWICK.

13. *Peter Wyckoff.*

One hundred acres, lying in two tracts of fifty acres each, divided by the road to South River, one and a half miles southeast of the town, on the one is a large and abundant spring of water, with —— acres of woodland, an orchard and the land in good cultivation and well improved. The price for either, $100 per acre, besides the value of the buildings lately erected.

Other farms were viewed, but as no definite terms were stated, it is not judged necessary to describe them, except a general understanding that $100 per acre would be required.

Which report was read, ordered to lie on the table, and 500 copies thereof ordered to be printed.

The House then commenced making nominations for the several offices of the state and several counties, either vacant, or the terms of service of whose incumbents are about to expire, and after some time spent therein, the nominations were closed.

Ordered, that the clerk furnish Council with a list of nominations.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of the administrators of William Bishop, deceased, praying for a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of William Bishop, deceased, to convey certain real estate;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have completed their list of nominations, and herewith furnish the House with a duplicate copy.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly are now ready to go into joint meeting, and await the presence of Council in the Assembly room.

Council then came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint meeting, and after some time spent therein the joint meeting adjourned, and the House came to order.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, November 9.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green presented a petition from seventy-five citizens of Mercer county, praying the passage of a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Which was read, and referred to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Green, Cory, Satterthwait, Field and Baldwin.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Sophia Gardner, praying a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sophia Gardner, of the county of Morris, from her husband, William Gardner;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to inquire what alterations are necessary in the act abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed at the last session of the legislature, and report the same to the adjourned sitting of this legislature;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the communication laid before the House yesterday, from the Treasury Department at Washington, was taken up and referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the report of the commissioners on a state lunatic asylum, was taken up and referred to the committee on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the support of the government of this state,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Mattison presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Hunterdon.

The House adjourned to this afternoon, three o'clock.

At three o'clock the House met.

The speaker presented to the House the bond of Isaac Southard, treasurer elect, which was read and approved.

Ordered, that the clerk carry the same to Council, and inform Council that the said bond has been read in the House of Assembly and approved.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of William Bishop, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, November 10.

At ten o'clock the House met.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of William Bishop, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Mr. Maskell called up No. 6 of unfinished business, being

"An act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state;"

Which was read by its title, ordered a second reading, and referred to the committee oe the judiciary.

Mr. Maskell called up No. 29 of unfinished business, being

"An act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state;"

Which was read, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the House of Assemby entitled,

"An act to prescribe the time and manner of holding elections for representatives in Congress from this state," and

"An act to amend the charter of the Hudson county mutual insurance company," and also,

The joint resolution from the Assembly relative to the public printing,

Severally without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

Ordered, that when this House adjourns, it adjourn to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Another message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act for the support of the government of this state,"

Without amendment.

The House adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, November 14.

At nine o'clock the House met.

Mr. French asked and abtained leave to withdraw from the files of the House, the papers relative to the application of Rachel N. Whitall for an act to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate.

On motion,

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that this House is now ready to adjourn.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have passed the bill from Assembly entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of William Bishop, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Without amendment.

The House then adjourned to meet again on Tuesday, the 19th day of January next.

SECOND SITTING.

TUESDAY, January 10, 1843.

At three o'clock the House met.

The speaker ordered a call of the House, when the following gentlemen answered to the call.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Dickinson,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Field,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Green,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Stephens,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Throckmorton,
Butcher,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Clark,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Congar,	Maskell,	Voorhees,
Cook,	Mattison,	Ware,
Cory,	Mount,	Warne,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Ridgway,	Willets,
Deacon,	Richards,	Winter—42.

On motion,

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that this House have met, formed a quorum, and proceeded to business.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That a joint committee of both Houses be appointed to wait upon the Governor, and inform him that both Houses have met and organized, and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make;

Which was read and adopted, and Messrs. Congar, Bonnell, and Richards, appointed a committee upon the part of the House of Assembly.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council of the adoption of said resolution, and that the House have appointed Messrs. Congar, Bonnell and Richards, a committee on their part, and request the appointment of a similar committe on the part of Council.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have met, formed a quorum, and proceeded to business.

A second message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have appointed Messrs. Dickey and Wilson, a committee on their part, to join the committee of the House of Assembly, to inform the Governor that both Houses have met, and are ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. Demarest offered the following:

Ordered, that when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and that that be the morning hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Congar, from the joint committee of Council and Assembly appointed to wait upon the Governor, reported that they had performed that duty, and were informed by his Excellency that he had no further communications at present to make to the legislature.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 11.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying an alteration in the laws for the preservation of game;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cory presented a petition from Nathan L. Stratton, and Daniel Fithian, of the county of Cumberland, praying a law to authorise the conveyance of certain real estate of John Buck, deceased;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Cory presented a petition from Rebecca M. Couch, praying a divorce from her husband, Asa Couch;
Which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from one hundred and thirteen citizens of Newark, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;
Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Congar also presented a petition from the Grand Jury of Essex county, praying the passage of a law to prevent the creating of unnecessary costs by justices of the peace, in the arresting and committing of offenders;
Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the township of East Windsor, in the county of Mercer, praying a law extending the provisions of the act entitled, "an act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned," passed the 3d day of March, 1835, to the township of East Windsor, in the county of Mercer:
Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Deacon presented a petition from the Burlington county temperance society, praying for an alteration in the license laws of this State,
Which was read and referred to the select committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Winter offered the following:
Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet this afternoon at three o'clock, and that that be the afternoon hour of meeting until otherwise ordered;
Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Ware offered the following:
Resolved that the committee on the judiciary be instructed to inquire whether any, and if any, what amendment be necessary to the insolvent law of this state, and report the same to this House,
Which was read and adopted.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sophia Gardner, of the county of Morris, from her husband, William Gardner,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from a number of citizens of the county of Warren, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank, at Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren:

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. French presented the petition of Rachel N. Whitall, praying for a law to authorize the re-conveyance of certain trust property;

The reading of which was progressed in, when on motion, the further consideration thereof was dispensed with, and the said petition referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. French, Richards and Throckmorton.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Tuesday, the 31st instant;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The house adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY January 12.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the states of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, praying the passage of an act prohibiting the use of more than one seine or net in any one pool or fishing place, on the river Delaware, within the jurisdiction of this state; and also, to prevent the anchoring of seines or placing of obstacles of any kind, intended to obstruct the passage of shad and herring up said river;

Which was read and referred to a select committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Mount, Winter, Whitney, Patterson and Ridgway.

Mr. Warne presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Warren county, praying an act to incorporate a bank to be located at Phillipsburg, in the said county;

Which was referred to the committee on corporations, without reading.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from Mary Ann F. Randolph, praying for a divorce from her husband, Stille F. Randolph;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces without reading.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from Charlotte Lasey, of the county of Morris, praying for a law to authorize the appointment of David S. Ives, as trustee of certain real and personal estate therein mentioned, in the place of William Lang, deceased, and David Ayres; with power to sell and convey the said real estate, and to appropriate the proceeds thereof to the support of the said Charlotte Lasey;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Cooper also presented a petition from Daniel Ayres, of the city of New York, praying to be released and discharged from the further execution of a trust therein named;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had

been referred the petition of Rebecca M. Couch for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Rebecca M. Couch, of the county of Cumberland, from her husband, Asa Couch;

Which bill was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Mount from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of Mary Ann Desbrow, for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann Desbrow, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Samuel A Desbrow;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Mount,

Ordered, that the printing of said bill be dispensed with.

Mr. Richards offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this hall be tendered to J. Orville Taylor, Esq., this evening, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of delivering a lecture on the subject of public education;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Demarest offered the following:

Resolved, That the treasurer be requested to forward to this House the statements of the several banks of this state that have come to his hands the present year;

Which was read and adopted.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. N. Smith presented a petition from Mary Ackerson, praying for a divorce from her husband, Daniel Ackerson;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces, without reading.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the joint committee appointed at the last sitting to investigate the account rendered against the state for postages of the legislature, be invested with

power to send for persons and papers, and to examine witnesses under oath;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Ridgway offered the following:

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is now ready to go into joint meeting for the purpose of appointing such state and county officers as they may think necessary, and request Council to name time and place;

Which was read and on motiou of Mr. Kline, ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. French offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be requested to enquire into the expediency of a law more effectually to prohibit the disinterment of the dead and robbery of graves;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Maskell offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on elections be requested to examine whether any, and if any, what alteration is required in the election law, and to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Cooper gave notice that he should at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rockaway Manufacturing Company."

Also, a bill entitled,

"An act further to extend the act incorporating state banks in New Jersey."

Mr. Ware offered the following:

Resolved, That a select committee be appointed to enquire whether any amendment be necessary to the act entitled, "an act for the preservation of sheep," and report the same to this House;

Which was read and adopted, and Messrs. Ware, Stephens, and Warne, appointed said committee.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary,

informed the House, that Council have agreed to the concurrent resolution from the Assembly, investing the committee with power to send for persons and papers, and to examine witnesses under oath, relative to the investigation of the postage charged against the state.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 13.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from James R. Mullany, Mary B. Mullany, Jane A. M. Mullany, James R. M. Mullany, Elias B. Mullany, Andrew J. Mullany, John R. B. Mullany, and Erina Annetta Mullany, praying for a law to authorize the sale and conveyance of certain real estate therein named;

The reading of which was progressed in, when on motion of Mr. Mount, the further reading thereof was dispensed with, and the said petition referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Dickinson presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Salem, praying for a law to authorize the holding of a state convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Brown presented a similar petition from citizens of Middlesex county;

The reading of which was progressed in, when on motion of Mr. Mount, the further reading thereof was dispensed with, and the said petition referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. French presented a memorial from fifty-four citizens of Gloucester county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxi-

cating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Which was read, and referred to the committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Richards presented the petition of John Carter, of the county of Atlantic, for a pension;

Which was referred to the committee on claims and pensions without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of Warren county, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh, in said county;

Which was referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from the treasurer, covering the several bank statements received by him the present year:

Hon. Samuel B. Halsey, Speaker of the House of Assembly:

Sir:—In obedience to a resolution of the House of the 12th instant, I have the honor to submit the accompanying bank statements, viz:

1. People's bank of Paterson.
2. State Bank at Newark.
3. Mechanics' Bank at Newark.
4. Newark Banking and Insurance Company.
5. Orange Bank.
6. State Bank at Elizabeth.
7. Morris County Bank.
8. State Bank at Morris.
9. Union Bank at Dover.
10. Sussex Bank.
11. Belvidere Bank.
12. Commercial Bank.
13. State Bank at New Brunswick.
14. Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Middletown Point.
15. Princeton Bank.
16. New Hope Delaware Bridge Company.
17. Trenton Banking Company.
18. Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank, Trenton.
19. Mechanics' Bank of Burlington.
20. Farmers' Bank of New Jersey, Mount Holly.
21. Burlington County Bank at Medford.

22. State Bank at Camden.
23. Cumberland Bank.
24. Salem Bank.
25. Farmers and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway.

Very respectfully, &c.,

ISAAC SOUTHARD,

Treasurer of New Jersey.

TRENTON, January 13, 1843.

STATE BANK,

Notes and bills discounted, outstanding,	$186,026.02
Loans upon stock of this bank,	8,650.00
Loans upon bonds and mortgages,	65,475.61
Specie on hand, property of this bank,	36,812.00
Philadelphia bank notes and checks,	4,985.00
Notes of other banks,	415.00
Due from solvent banks in the city and county of Philadelphia,	6,476.00
Due from other solvent banks,	9,660.49
Stock of this bank,	3,324.00
Other bank stock,	400.00
Banking house and lot,	6,757.63
Real estate, estimated value $11,500, cost	13,350.59
Due from the District of Southwark,	1,000.00
Suspended debt, considered good,	10,958.04
" " " bad and doubtful,	14,798.57
A. McCalla, exchange and office clerk,	12,000.00
Expenses,	1,155.75
Interest due upon bonds unpaid $1,680,	
	$382,244.70

Affirmed and subscribed by

Dr. SALEM BANKING COMPANY.

Capital stock,	$75,000.00
Notes in circulation,	28,515.00
Interest on hand,	14,620.10
Dividends unpaid,	138.00
Due banks,	555.60
" depositors,	16,311.53
	$135,140.23

Sworn and subscribed by CALVIN BELDEN, *Pres't.*

CAMDEN, January 2, 1843.

Capital stock,	$260,000.00
Circulation,	47,767.00
Profit and loss,	13,268.80
Discount and interest received,	7,183.77
Dividends unclaimed,	1,139.89
Due to banks in the city and county of Philadelphia,	8,345.60
Due to other banks,	186.84
Due to depositors,	44,352.80
	$382,244.70

JOHN GILL, *President.* R. W. OGDEN, *Cashier.*

SALEM, January 2, 1843. CR.

Bills receivable,	$75,605.74
Bonds and mortgages,	3,438.97
Real estate, &c.,	2,525.00
Expenses paid,	2,119.84
Due from other banks,	2,790.42
Protest account,	15.15
Foreign notes, cirtificates and checks,	14,714.51
Specie on hand,	12,516.07
Profit and loss,	21,414.53
	$135,140.23

Affirmed and subscribed by GEO. C. RUMSEY, *Cashier.*

MECHANICS' AND MANUFACTURERS' BANK,

Assets.

Bills discounted, (good,)	$127,589.41
Bonds and mortgages, (good,)	8,051.36
Stock of this bank owned by the bank,	4,688.00
Suspended debt,	14,561.75
Due from other banks, (good,)	8,077.91
Real estate, (fair valuation,)	7,561.98
Specie in vault, belonging to the bank,	30,340.28
Notes of other banks, checks, &c.,	6,903.01
Certificate of the city of Trenton, payable on demand,	2,100.60
Certificate of Bellville Bank,	280.00
	$210,153.70

Sworn and subscribed by JACOB KLINE, *President.*

NEWARK BANKING AND INSURANCE COMPANY,

Bills discounted, loans and bills of exchange, deemed good,	$600,422.75	
Do. do. doubtful,	29,789.10	
		$630,211.85
Bonds and mortgages and stocks,		18,098.49
Banking house and lot, at cost,		13,388.70
United States treasury notes,	$8,000.00	
Due from sundry banks. good,	33,921·07	
Deposit in Merchants' Bank, N. York,	34,239.21	
Notes of specie paying banks on hand,	18,279.46	
Specie on hand the property of the bank,	42,119.62	
		$136,559.36
		$798,258.40

The company own forty-five shares of its capital stock, amounting to $2,250; and the amount of capital stock hypothecated to the company, is $31,950, on which $24,240 have been loaned.

Sworn and subscribed by

TRENTON, January 2, 1843.

Liabilities.

Due to other banks,	$4,726.69
Notes of this bank in circulation,	54,514.00
Due to depositors,	20.652.78
	$79,893.47
Balance, after paying all liabilities to the public,	130,260.23
Capital stock paid in,	124,680.00
Surplus,	$5,580.23

Affirmed and subscribed by T. ABBOTT, JR., *Cashier.*

NEWARK, January 2, 1843.

Capital Stock paid in,		$508,650.00
Surplus profits,		38,866.21
Unclaimed dividends,	$1,773.63	
Dividend declared this day,	15,192.00	
		16,965.63
Due to sundry banks,		25,193.14
" " depositors,		112,137.42
Notes in circulation,		96,426.00
		$798,258.40

All the debts believed to be bad, have been charged against the profits of the company, since the last annual statement.

JOHN TAYLOR, *Pres't.* W. M. VERMILYE, *Cashier.*

Dr. BELVIDERE BANK.

To bills discounted, all considered good,		$112,522.86
" Banking house and lot, at cost,		4,130.61
" Paper, plates, and bank furniture,		800.00
" Tax, for the year 1842,		433.10
" Current expenses since last dividend, 1st Oct.,		271.63
" Deposited in specie paying banks,	$26,421.03	
" Notes on hand of other specie paying banks,	7,950.00	
" Specie in vault, the property of this bank,	23,671.72	
		58,042.75
		$176,200.95

Sworn and subscribed by

FARMERS' BANK OF NEW JERSEY;

Assets.

Bills discounted,	$105,281.93
Specie in bank,	15,377.05
Notes of other banks which pay specie,	10,226.00
Checks of " " "	1,344.00
Notes of other banks, and items not current now,	744.05
Due from other banks,*	14,894.11
Mortgages,	4,416.00
Bank stock,	6,460.49
Bonds and notes,	10.837.12
Real estate, cost	26,815.07
Incidental account, paid,	86.06
Salary " "	698.75
Due from sundry persons.	618,67
	$197,799.30

* *Note.*—Of this sum $13,789.99 is due from banks which pay specie.

Affirmed and subscribed by JOHN BLACK, *Pres't.*

BELVIDERE, January 2, 1843. CR.

By Capital stock paid in,	$86,620.00
" Surplus fund,	19,182.56
" Discounts received since 1st October,	1,655.02
" Dividends unclaimed,	899.45
" Due State Treasurer,	440.83
" Due other banks,	1,722.77
" Notes of this bank in circulation,	44,833.00
" Deposits on account of individuals,	20,844.32
	$176,200.95

J. KINNEY, JR., *Pres't.* JNO. STUART, *Cashier.*

MOUNT HOLLY, January 2, 1843.

Liabilities.

Capital paid,	$100,000.00
Notes in circulation,	31,044.32
Discount and interest received,	1,764.42
Dividends unpaid,	478.25
Profit and loss, or surplus fund,	31,378.18
Suspense account,	166.42
Due to other banks,	1.15
" to depositors,	32,966.56
	$197,799.30

Sworn and subscribed by J. BEATTY, *Cashier.*

STATE BANK,

Bills discounted,	$268,336.35
Bonds and mortgages,	16,205.00
Real estate taken to secure debts, productive property,	3,844.35
Real estate, banking house,	15,236.20
Specie in the vault, the property of the bank,	25,311.74
Due from specie paying banks,	27,360.99
Bank notes of other banks currrent in New York,	4,015.22
	$360,309.85

Subscribed by CHARLES DAVIS, *President.*

MECHANICS' BANK,

To Capital paid in,	$49,850.00
" Notes in circulation,	42,092.50
" Discounts received,	4,547.84
" Suspense account,	100.11
" Due to other banks,	1,931.56
" Dividends unpaid,	69.75
" Contingent fund,	1,001.03
" Balance due depositors,	20,012.19
	$120,804.98

Affirmed and subscribed by WM. R. ALLEN, *Pres't.*

ELIZABETH, January 2, 1843.

Capital stock,	$200,000.00
Profit and loss,	21,208.16
Dividends unpaid,	899.44
Due to other banks,	16,074.59
Notes in circulation,	59,692.00
Deposited by individuals,	62,525.66
	$360,309.85

Sworn and subscribed by JAMES CRANE, *Cashier.*

BURLINGTON, January 3, 1843.

By bills discounted,	$70,349.18
" Bond and mortgage,	1,400.00
" Mechanics' Bank stock,	1,000.00
" Real estate,	3,938.12
" Profit and loss,	201.86
" Due by other banks,	19,342.42
" Expenses,	2,479.52
" Fixtures, banking house,	2,047.84
" Notes of other banks,	2,935.00
" Specie,	17,111.04
	$120,804.98

Sworn and subscribed by A. W. BURNS, *Cashier.*

Dr. STATE BANK.

To Capital stock,	118,125.00
" Profit and loss,	7,521.16
" Discount received,	2,805.96
" Dividends unpaid,	765.37
" Due to other banks,	8,666.10
" Circulation,	103,808.50
" Deposits,	68,515.81
	$310,207.90

Sworn and subscribed by

STATE BANK.

Bills discounted, including exchange purchased, deemed good,	$429,831.40	
" " " doubtful,	10,526.62	
" " " bad,	1,737.03	
		$442,095.05
Real estate, valued at cost,		10,075.67
Stock Newark Mutual Fire Assurance Company, deemed good for about 60 per cent.,		205.00
Specie in possession, the property of the bank,		25,254.05
Bank notes and checks of other banks, deemed good,		14,409.51
Due from Manhatten Company, New York, good,		22,422.90
" " other banks and companies, good,		28,755.82
Contingent expenses,	$888.50	
Tax,	45.00	
Tax on capital,	2,000.00	
		2,933.50
		$546,151.50

Sworn and subscribed by

NEW BRUNSWICK, January 2, 1843.

By New Orleans City Bank stock,	$3,150.00
" Specie,	37,124.61
" Notes of other banks,	11,563.61
" Due from other banks,	30,341.92
" By unavailable items,	852.60
" Bills discounted,	187,030.69
" Notes receivable,	17,901.63
" Bonds and Mortgages,	2,390.85
" Real estate,	19,077.15
" Contingent expenses,	774.84
	$310,207.90

F. R. SMITH, *Pres't.* JOHN B. HILL, *Cashier.*

NEWARK, December 31, 1842.

Capital stock paid in,		$400,000.00
of which 654 shares of $50 each, are pledged for the payment of $15,195, bills discounted.		
[No other shares are owned by the bank.]		
Profit and loss, including discount, interest and exchange received,		12,124.01
Dividends unpaid,		1,419.28
Bank notes in circulation,		49,035.00
Due to other banks,		19,187.83
Due depositors, viz:		
" I. Southard, Treasurer N. Jersey,	$1,099.26	
" " " School Fund,	2,219.12	
" Individuals,	61,067.00	
		64,385.38
		$546,151.50

JACOB D. VERMILYE, *Cashier.*
EPH. BOLLIS,
JEPTHA BALDWIN,
SAM. H. PENNINGTON, } *Directors.*

Dr. TRENTON BANKING COMPANY,

Stock,	$210,000
Bank notes in circulation,	77,031
Due to other banks,	20,993
Discounts received,	369
Profit and loss,	22,191
Due to pension agent,	7,262
" " depositors,	53,036
	$390,880

Sworn and subscribed by

ORANGE, BANK,

To Capital stock,	$102,500.00
" Notes in circulation,	12,779.50
" Discount received,	1,807.02
" Due other banks,	2,369.44
" " State of New Jersey,	557.50
" " Individuals,	7,204.53
" " Dividends,	374.85
	$127,592.84

The amount of mortgages (collateral for bills discounted, included in the above amount,) is eleven thousand eight hundred dollars. No stock owned by the bank. The interest on

Sworn and subscribed by

TRENTON, January 10, 1843. CR.

Bills discounted,	$211,445
Claim, partly secured by real estate,	2,500
Real estate,	26,000
Mortgages,	68,443
Stocks,	880
Due from other banks and bank notes on hand,	56,936
Specie,	24,668
	$390,880

PHIL. DICKINSON, *Pres't.* THOS. J. STRYKER, *Cash.*

ORANGE, January 2, 1843.

By Bills discounted, deemed good,	$106,350.27	
" " " " bad	29.88	
		$106,380.15
" Real estate at cost, fair valuation,		5,097.07
" Contingent account,		4,082.15
" Due from other banks, good,		3,581.39
" Bills of " " "		1,463.30
" " " " doubtful,		49.00
" " " " counterfeit,		10.00
" Specie on hand, the property of this bank,		6,880.56
" Foreign protests,		49.22
		$127,592.84

notes past due is not estimated in the above. The bank has, in addition to the assets named above, plates, paper, &c., value seven hundred and fifty dollars.

STEPHEN D. DAY, *Pres't.* WM. MUNN, *Cashier.*

NEW HOPE DELAWARE BRIDGE COMPANY.

Bridge,		$85,353.77
Toll house and lot,		1,120.00
Personal property, plates, office furniture,		2,141.05
Real estate, taken for debts due the company,		27,146.71
Bonds and mortgages,		12,476.00
Bills receivable,		142,246.41
Stock, taken for debts due the company,		2,550.00
Phenix bank, a disputed account and now in suit,		14,931.86
Ferry,		157.36
Protest account,		122.06
Over drafts,		89.87
Due from other banks,	3.18	
On Deposite in New York,	519.26	
" " in Philadelphia,	2,409.12	
Specie funds,	2,527.30	
Notes of other banks on hand,	4,569.00	
		10,027.86
		$298,362.95

Sworn and subscribed by

Dr. CUMBERLAND BANK,

Capital stock,	$52,025
Profit and loss, surplus,	31,458
Bank notes in circulation,	49,228
Dividends unpaid,	1,629
Due to other banks,	614
" State Treasurer,	320
" other depositors,	17,348
	$152,622

Sworn and subscribed by

LAMBERTVILLE, January 2, 1843.

Capital stock,		$170,000.00
Dividends unpaid,		1,184.00
Deposits, to apply on debts due the company,		1,746.53
Profit and loss,		85,433.67
Notes of the company in circulation,	23,841.00	
Due depositors,	16,107.23	
Due other banks,	49.74	
Due Doylestown Insurance Company,	50	
Due Treasurer of New Jersey,	28	
		39,998.75
		$298,362.95

A. ST. JOHN, *Pres't.* JONA. FISK, *Treasurer.*

BRIDGETON, January 3, 1843. CR.

Bills discounted,	$90,039
Mortgage,	750
Stock of State Bank at Camden,	500
" " Cumberland Bank,	6,950
Specie,	28,422
Notes of other banks,	5,723
Due from other banks,	13,020
Real estate,	7,128
Protests,	22
Due from sundry persons,	68
	$152,622

J. B. POTTER, *Pres't.* C. READ, *Cashier.*

BURLINGTON COUNTY BANK,

Capital stock actually paid in, [None of it pledged or responsible for notes or bills discounted. None of it owned by the bank.]	$70,000.00
Amount of notes of this bank in circulation,	21,473.00
Dividends unpaid,	245.00
Surplus fund above the capital,	4,174.88
Discount received since last dividend,	380.60
Balances due to other banks,	796.57
Amount due depositors, [No other debts due or owing by this bank.]	11,894.42
	$108,964.47

Affirmed and subscribed by

PEOPLE'S BANK,

Liabilities.

Capital stock actually paid in,	$75,000.00
Surplus fund,	2,945.89
Bank notes in circulation,	48,328.50
Due to other banks,	1,900.93
Due to depositors,	11,484.46
	$139,659.78

Sworn and subscribed by ELIAS B. D. OGDEN, *Pres't.*

MEDFORD, January 2, 1843.

Amount of notes and bills discounted, now outstanding,	$89,101.65
Specie on hand, actually in the possession of and the property of this bank,	11,636.09
Due on protest account,	74.41
Balances due from other banks,	588,94
Bank notes of other banks, checks on other banks, certificates, &c.,	2,802.31
No real estate except the banking house and lot, the cost and fair valuation thereof, is	3,338.30
Other assets consist in the bank note plates, paper, fixtures, furniture, &c.—cost	1,405.77
Incidental account,	17.00
	$108,964.47

BENJAMIN DAVIS, *Pres't.* J. OLIPHANT, *Cashier.*

PATERSON, January 4, 1843.

Assets.

Bills receivable,	good,	$65,975.22	
"	" doubtful,	21,935.11	
"	" bad,	2,800.00	
			$90,710.33
A debt for which the bank has as security, unincumbered real estate, in the city of Brooklyn,			4,500.00
Real estate in Paterson, (fair valuation $2,500,) cost,			3,980.00
Specie funds deposited in the city of New York, on demand,			22,806.09
Bank notes and checks upon banks in the cities of New York and Newark, (good)			4,259.07
Due from other banks, (good)			8,970.84
Specie on hand, actually in the possession of and the property of the bank,			4,433.45
			$139,659.78

H. C. STIMSON, *Cashier.*
JAMES JACKSON,
SAMUEL A. VAN SAUN, } *Directors.*

Dr. FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK,

To Capital paid in,	$25,000.00
" Notes of this bank in circulation,	39,958.00
" Due to depositors,	6,994.96
" Deposited to meet discounted notes,	4,452.90
" Certified check, out,	100.00
" Discount and interest account undivided,	2,182.67

[There is not any of the capital stock of this bank owned by the bank, nor any pledged to it for loans made.]

$78,688.53

Sworn and subscribed by

MECHANICS' BANK,

Bills discounted,	$542,041.84
Real estate, at cost,	28,719.30
Due from Mechanics' Bank, New York, good,	38,844.07
Due from other banks, all good,	7,389.54
Notes and checks of sundry banks on hand, all deemed good,	14,747.60
Specie on hand, the property of this bank,	35,041.02
	$666,756.37

Of the capital stock there has been hypothecated three hundred and thirty-two (332) shares, par value ($16,600,) as collateral security for the payment of debts due the bank, amounting to $13,661.23. Amount of debts deemed bad, ($813.14) eight hundred and thirteen dollars and fourteen cents; amount

Sworn and subscribed by JOSEPH A. HALSEY, *Pres't.*

MIDDLETOWN POINT, January 2, 1843. CR.

By Discounted notes outstanding, considered good,		$54,633.27
" Notes of other banks, considered good,	$5,021.00	
" " " " considered doubtful and bad,	12.00	
" Specie in vault,	6,836.62	
" Due from other banks, (good)	4,076.59	
		15,946.21
" Real estate, banking house and lot, &c.,	$4,860.78	
" Fixtures and other property,	2,962.00	
		7,822.78
" Incidental expenses paid,		286.27
		$78,688.53

WM. LITTLE, *Pres't.* ELIHU BAKER, *Cashier.*

NEWARK, December 31, 1842.

Capital stock,	$500,000.00
Profit and loss, including discount, &c., received to this date,	46,751.99
Dividends unpaid,	1,335.10
Notes in circulation,	47,042.00
Due to sundry banks,	18,853.09
Due to individual depositors,	52.774.19
	$666,756.37

doubtful, ($7,187.24) seven thousand one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty-four cents. The bank has other assets not stated above, viz: fixtures and furniture in the banking house, plates, and bills struck off, of the estimated value of $2,000.

MATTH'S W. DAY, *Cashier.*

STATE BANK,

Assets.

Bills discounted, good,	$93,569.86	
" " doubtful,	6,841.80	
" " bad,	5,220.57	
		$105,632.23
Specie Funds.		
Gold, silver, and copper in vault,	$5,800.24	
Notes and checks of other banks,	1,405.00	
Due from other banks,	7,140.60	
		14,345.84
Real Estate.		
Banking house and lot,	$8,000.00	
About 330 acres of land, worth from five to six dollars per acre, say	2,000.00	
		10,000.00
Three hundred and thirty-one shares of bank stock, taken in payment for debts,		16,550.00
Expense account.		1,160.77
Bank furniture,		500.00
		$148,188.84

Sworn and subscribed by

Dr. PRINCETON BANK,

Capital stock,	$90,000.00
Notes in circulation,	30,825.00
Dividends uncalled for,	1,022.20
Due to depositors,	68,695.19
Discount and interest received,	350.83
Due to banks,	3,080.14
Surplus fund,	1,980.28
	$195,953.64

Sworn and subscribed by

MORRIS, January 2, 1843.

Liabilities.

Capital stock,		$100,000.00
Bank notes in circulation,		21,576.00
Dividends unpaid,		131.50
Due other banks,		370.24
Profit and loss,	6,049.78	
Discount received,	2,356.61	
		8,415.39
Due to depositors,		17,695.71
		$148,188.84

JOSEPH CUTLER, *Pres't.* E. CONDICT, *Cashier.*

PRINCETON, January 2, 1843. Ca.

Loans,	$124,598.21
Bonds and mortgages,	28,738.23
Real estate,	10,197.77
Plates, furniture, &c.,	2,000.00
Incidental expenses paid,	70.40
Due from other banks,	3,206.23
Notes of other banks and drafts,	16,801.39
Specie on hand,	10,341.41
	$195,953.64

R. S. FIELD, *Pres't.* LOUIS P. SMITH, *Cashier.*

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' BANK,

Bills discounted, supposed to be good,	$143,641.10	
" " " " doubtful,	2,773.83	
" " " " bad,	1,658.65	
		$148,073.58
Bonds and mortgages, supposed to be good,		5,671.41
Bank furniture and fixtures, including plates, papers, &c., &c.,		1,206.81
Stock of the Erie Salt Company, doubtful,		400.00
Stock of this bank at par, received for debts due,		500.00
Merchandize, received for debts due,		378.70
Due from other banks as per leger,		9,153.76
Expense account,		485.96
United States Treasury notes, including interest,		4,138.68
Bank notes and checks on other banks, dft., &c.,		3,206.75
Specie,		6,682.77
Bellville certificate, doubtful,		2.58
Accounts due from sundry persons, supposed good,	$266.25	
" " " " " doubtful,	19.31	
" " " " " bad,	382.11	
		667.67
		$180,568.67

Note.—The interest on the bonds and mortgages, and suspended paper, is not included.

Sworn and subscribed by

COMMERCIAL BANK OF NEW JERSEY,

To amount of bills discounted,		$42,238.59
" " " real estate,		2,245.54
" " " specie in vault,	$5,750.34	
" " " " deposited in New York for the redemption of bank notes,	4,090.57	
" Bank notes and drafts of other banks,	1,567.59	
" Total amount of specie funds,		11,408.50
		$55,892.63

Sworn and subscribed by

RAHWAY, January 2, 1843.

Capital stock,	$130,000.00
Profit and loss and exchange accounts,	2,395.39
Bank notes in circulation,	19,798.00
Due to depositors, estimated,	21,309.42
Due the Treasurer of New Jersey, for tax,	650.00
Due to other banks, as per ledger,	4,974.60
Dividends due, " " "	1,441.26
	$180,568.67

WM. EDGAR, *Pres't.* F. KING, *Cashier.*

PERTH AMBOY, January 2, 1843.

Capital stock,	30,000.00
Bank notes in circulation,	12,393.50
Balances due depositors and other banks,	10,979.46
Surplus fund on hand,	2,519.67
	$55,892.63

HERMAN BRUEN, *Pres't.* JAS. A. NICHOLS, *Cashier.*

Dr. UNION BANK.

To Stock paid in,	$50,000.00
" Bank notes in circulation,	38,293.00
" Balance of profit and loss account,	34,977.33
" Dividends unpaid,	4,500.00
" Balance due individual depositors,	10,041.00
" Tax due Treasurer of State,	250.00
	$138,061.33

The amount of all our liabilities, except to stockholders, is forty-eight thousand five hundred and eighty-four dollars, ($48,584) and the amount of our specie funds, at immediate

Sworn and subscribed by

SUSSEX BANK,

Assets.

Loans, bills and notes discounted,	$88,166.61	
Bonds and mortgages,	7,684.90	
		$95,851.51
Available funds, to wit:		
Specie in the bank,	$20,165.36	
Notes and checks on other banks,	20,293.00	
Due from other banks,	25,271.99	
		$65,730.35
Real estate, banking house and lot in Newton, original cost,	$5,002.09	
Enlargement and improvement of the same,	2,374.17	
		7,376.26
		$168,958.12

Affirmed and subscribed by DAVID RYERSON, *Pres't.*

DOVER, January 2, 1843. CR.

By Balance, bills receivable account,		$71,100.14
" Short loans, and personal accounts,		2,083.97
" Personal property, valued at		2,000.00
" Specie on hand,	$9,304.00	
" Notes of specie paying banks on hand,	1,106.00	
" Balances due from other banks, and specie funds on deposit in New York,	52,467.22	
		62,877.22
		$138,061.33

control, is sixty-two thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven dollars and twenty-two cents. ($62,877.22.)

G. M. HINCHMAN, *Pres't.* THO. B. SEGUR, *Cashier.*

NEWTON, January 9, 1843.

Liabilities.

Notes of the Sussex Bank in circulation,	$52,177.00	
Ledger balances, due depositors and others,	21,726.27	
		$73,903.27
Balance of assets over liabilities,		95,054.85
The capital stock of the bank is	$67,500.00	
Which, with the undivided profits together	27,554.85	
Make the sum of the above balance,	$95,054.85	
		$168,958.12

Sworn and subscribed by S. D. MORFORD, *Cashier.*

MORRIS COUNTY BANK,

Agreeably to an act of the legislature of this state, entitled "an act to reduce the capital stock of the Morris County Bank," passed on the 9th day of March, 1842.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the said "The Morris County Bank," convened at their banking house in Morristown for that purpose, on the 7th day of June last, upon such notice as is required by the charter to be given for the election of directors; the stockholders at said meeting, unanimously passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the capital stock of the Morris County Bank, heretofore paid in by the stockholders, was eighty thousand two

Bills* discounted and receivable, good,	$91,352.02
Due on notes matured, "	1,711.06
" " cash papers, short loans, "	810.13
Debts due the bank, doubtful,	3,540.31
" " " " bad,	1,800.48
Due from banks, specie funds,	13,141.34
Bank notes and checks of other banks, good,	1,184.37
Specie on hand, coin,	6,703.38
	$120,243.09

* $2,786.38, amount of bonds and mortgages held on bills discounted, and as collateral security.

Sworn and subscribed by

MONMOUTH BANK,

Assets.

Bills receivable,	$19,800
" " doubtful,	1,179
Specie and specie funds,	2,145
Specie funds deposited in New York,	4,180
Bank furniture,	750
	$28,054

Sworn and subscribed by

MORRISTOWN, January 1, 1843.

hundred and fifty dollars; AND WHEREAS, the said bank has been under the necessity of taking from some of the stockholders, for debts due and owing by them to said bank, stock to the amount of thirty thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, &c., leaving the actual banking capital only fifty thousand dollars—Therefore,

Resolved, That the capital stock of "The Morris County Bank" has been thus reduced to the sum of fifty thousand dollars, for capital stock heretofore paid in

Copied from the minutes,
THEO. T. WOOD, *Cashier.*

Capital stock, (reduced,)	$50,000.00
Profit and loss,	7,276.63
Bills in circulation,	24,832.00
Due other banks, per ledger,	6,912.81
" depositors,	17,221·65
Balance on loan, not yet due,	14,000.00
	$120,243.09

HENRY A. FORD, *Pres't.* THEO. T. WOOD, *Cashier.*

FREEHOLD, January 18, 1843.

Liabilities.

Capital stock paid in,	$25,000
Bills in circulation,	2,179
Tax due the state,	125
Due depositors,	750
	$28,054

JOHN T. WOODHULL, *Pres't.* ASAHEL BEACH, *Cash.*

Which was read, and one thousand copies of said bank statements ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petitions of the inhabitants of Warren county, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at Phillipsburgh, in said county, reported a bill entitled,

An act to incorporate the Warren County Bank at Phillipsburgh, to be located in the town of Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cooper, pursuant to notice given yesterday, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rockaway Manufacturing Company;"

Which bill was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Cooper, also, pursuant to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act further to extend the act incorporating state banks in New Jersey;"

Which bill was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Ridgway called up the resolution offered by him yesterday relative to a joint meeting, when,

On motion of Mr. Congar, the further consideration thereof was postponed to Monday afternoon next.

Mr. Stephens gave notice that he should on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings.

Mr. Clark presented the abstract of ratables for the county of Morris;

Which was read and referred to the committee of ways and means.

The bill entitled,

An act to divorce Mary Ann Desbrow, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Samuel A. Desbrow,

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Maskell called up No. 25 of unfinished business, being a bill entitled,

"An act for the promotion of agriculture in the state of New Jersey;"

Which bill was read by its title and referred to the committee on agriculture.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of Mullany and others, praying for a law to authorize the sale of certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Mary Ackerman for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerman from her husband, Daniel Ackerman;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. French, from the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Rachel N. Whitall, for a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold, jr., and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Maskell offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be requested to examine and see what alterations are required in the law respecting the collecting of executions, issued in justices' courts,

in cases where the personal property of the defendant is not sufficient to pay said execution, and the defendant has real estate;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ware, Mr. Dickinson was added to the select committee appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what amendment is necessary to the law for the preservation of sheep.

Mr. Van Boskerck gave notice that he should on to-morrow, or at some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson."

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 14.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from John B. Dean and Elizabeth Congar Dean, praying a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Winter presented two petitions from the citizens of Warren county, praying an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at Phillipsburgh, in the said county;

Which were ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Warne presented a similar petition;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Mary Ann F. Randolph for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann F. Randolph, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Stille F. Randolph;

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Stephens, pursuant to notice given yesterday, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings;"

Which was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Richards offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of the House are due to Mr. D. S. Gregory, of Jersey City, for a copy to each member of Mr. J. Orville Taylor's printed lectures;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Bonnell offered the following:

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress, be, and hereby are, requested to use all fair and honorable means to procure the passage of a law refunding to General Jackson the fine, together with the interest, imposed on him by Judge Hall, in 1815;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it adjourn to meet again on Monday afternoon, at three o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 16.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from Charlotte Dimick, of the county of Warren, praying for a divorce from her husband, William W. Dimick;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces without reading.

Mr. Stephens presented a petition from the President, Directors, and Company, of the State Bank at Morris, praying for an extension of the charter of said company;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from the stockholders of the Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, praying for a law to authorize said company to reduce their capital stock to to the sum of one hundred thousand dollars;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the city of Elizabethtown, praying for an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Baldwin presented a similar petition from the citizens of Newark;

Which was also referred to the committee on the judiciary, without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from Lydia Baxter, of the county of Hudson, for a divorce from her husband, William Baxter;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces without reading.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Morris, praying the repeal of the act entitled, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, passed March 9, 1842;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Warren, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Deacon presented two petitions from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Burlington, praying an alteration in the law regulating the sale of intoxicating drinks;

Which was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Deacon also presented three petitions; one from the Shrevesville temperance society, another from the Washington temperance benevolent society, and a third from the Jacobstown temperance society; all signed for and in behalf of the society by their respective officers, praying for an alteration in the license system of this state;

Which were referred to the committee on that subject without reading.

Mr. Baker presented the petition of Enoch Knowles, administrator of Richard Jacques, deceased, praying for an act to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, of which the said Richard Jacques died seized;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Ridgway called up the resolution offered by him some days since, which was read and adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is now ready to go into joint meeting for the purpose of appointing such state and county officers as they may think necessary, and request Council to name time and place.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Rebecca M. Couch, of the county of Cumberland, from her husband, Asa Couch,"

Was taken up, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerman from her husband, Daniel Ackerman,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 17.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from seventy-nine citizens of Essex county, praying for a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

Mr. Whitney presented a similar petition from one hundred and six inhabitants of the county of Gloucester.

Mr. Clark presented another of like import from eighty-eight citizens of Morris county.

Mr. Wheaton presented another from thirty-five citizens of Atlantic county.

Mr. Cory presented another from two hundred and sixty-three citizens of Cumberland county.

Mr. Dawes presented another from one hundred and fifty-eight citizens of Hunterdon county.

Mr. Voorhees presented another from one hundred and six citizens of Somerset county.

Mr. Kline presented another, signed by twenty-five citizens of Somerset county.

Mr. Baker presented two of like import, signed by three hundred and sixty-eight citizens of Mercer county.

All of which were referred to the committee already raised upon the subject of inns and taverns.

Mr. Van Boskerck, in pursuance of notice previously given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson;"

Which bill was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the militia.

Mr. Bonnell called up the resolution offered by him some days since, which was amended, and read, as follows:

Resolved, (Council concurring,) That our senators and represenatives in Congress be, and hereby are, requested to use all fair and honorable means to procure the passage of a law refunding to General Jackson the fine, together with the interest, imposed upon him by Judge Hall, in 1815.

And the question being upon the adoption of the resolution, the yeas and nays were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Throckmorton,
Brown,	Irons,	Ware,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Warne,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Winter—23.
Demarest,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Mount,	Stephens,
Cook,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Richards,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Voorhees,
French,	Robins,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Willets—28.
Harrison,		

So the resolution was not agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council will be ready to go into joint meeting in the Assembly room, this afternoon at four o'clock, for the appointment of state and county officers.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann Desbrow, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Samuel A. Desbrow;

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Srope,
Baker,	Harrison,	Throckmorton,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Van Boskerck,
Bonnell,	Jacobus,	Van Houten,
Brinly,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Brown,	Patterson,	Ware,
Butcher,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Clark,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Schenck,	Willets,
Dawes,	N. Smith,	Winter—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cook,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Lum,
Deacon,	French,	Mattison,
Dickinson,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Maskell,

Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Ryerson,	Messrs. Stephens,
Potter,	Satterthwait,	Wheaton,
Richards,	S. C. Smith,	Whitney—20.
Ridgway,	Snowdon,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The House then commenced making nominations preparatory to going into joint meeting, and after some time spent therein, the nominations were closed, and the clerk ordered to furnish Council with a copy thereof.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of Charlotte Losey, of the county of Morris, praying a law to authorize the change of trustees, &c., reported a bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act to change the trust of the real estate of Charlotte Losey, and to authorize the sale of the same," passed 10th March, 1837;

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold, jr., and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly, that Council had closed their list of nominations, and furnished the House with a copy thereof.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly are now ready to go into joint meeting, and await the presence of Council in the Assembly room.

Council then came into the Assembly room, and the two Houses went into joint meeting, and after some time spent therein, the joint meeting rose, and the House came to order.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 18.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from a number of citizens of this state, praying an amendment to the existing laws between landlord and tenant, and also an amendment to the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Winter presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at the town of Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cook presented a petition from the President and Directors of the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company, praying a supplement to the act incorporating said company;

Which was referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Clark presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Morris, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt may not be repealed;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

M. Throckmorton presented a petition from a number of the citizens of this state, praying the repeal or amendment of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

M. Ryerson presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Passaic and Bergen, praying a law requiring the Paterson and Hudson River Rail Road Company to widen the draw of their bridge over Passaic river;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Whitney presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, praying an alteration in the common school system;

Which was read and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Reynolds offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring therein) That the inspectors of the state prison be authorized to invite the resident clergy of the city of Trenton, in turn, to perform religious services at the state prison on each sabbath in the ensuing year, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay upon the order of the prison keeper, out of any moneys of the state not otherwise appropriated, dollars for the services of each sabbath to the clergymen who may perform the same;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following:

Resolved, That two hundred copies of the bank reports ordered by this House be appropriated for the benefit of Council:

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Conover moved to take up the resolution offered some days since by Mr. Whitney, relative to adjournment, and on the question to take up said resolution, it was decided in the negative.

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Warren County Bank at Phillipsburgh, to be located in the town of Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and amended, and ordered to a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann F. Randolph, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Stille F. Randolph;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from Stephen Budd, of the county of Morris, for a divorce from his wife Susan Elizabeth Budd;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces without reading.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the christian sabbath;

Which was read and referred to the committee on inns and taverns.

Mr. Congar presented the petition of Elizabeth M. L. Hossack, of Newark, praying for a divorce from her husband, Alexander E. Hossack;

Which was read and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Congar gave notice that he should on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces.

Mr. Irons gave notice that he should on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charter of the Monmouth Bank."

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petitition of Enoch Knowles, administrator of Richard Jacques, deceased, praying for an act to sell real estate of said deceased, reported a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Richard Jacques, deceased;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Charlotte Dimick for a divorce, reported against granting the prayer of said petition;

Which report was agreed to.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sophia Gardner, of the county of Morris, from her husband, William Gardner,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,
Baldwin,	French,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Stephens,
Brown,	Irons,	Throckmorton,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Voorhees,
Clark,	Lum,	Ware,
Congar,	Mount,	Warne,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Patterson,	Willets,
Cooper,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Reynolds,	Winter—41.
Dickinson,	Robins,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Richards,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ridway,	Van Boskerck,
Mattison,	Ryerson,	Van Houten–9.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Ridgway,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	N. Smith,
Brinly,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Kline,	Stephens,
Clark,	Lum,	Throckmorton,
Congar,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Warne,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Richards,	Wildrick,
Dickinson,	Robins,	Willets,
Field,	Ryerson,	Winter—54.

NAY.

Mr. Flomerfelt—1.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that said bill has passed the House of Assembly, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Cook presented a petition, praying for a law to authorize the sale and conveyance of certain real estate of Daniel B. Thorp, a minor;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Cook presented another petition from the common council of the city of Newark, praying a law to alter the time and mode of assessing and collecting taxes in the said city of Newark;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary, without reading.

Mr. Cook gave notice that he should on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state to certain lands therein named."

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secre-

tary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"An act to divorce George W. Mount, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife, Mary Mount;

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold, jr., and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property;"

Was taken up and read a third time.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baldwin,	French.	N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Kline,	Throckmorton,
Clark,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Conover,	Mattison,	Warne,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Dawes,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Robins,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Ryerson,	Winter—40.
Field,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Congar,	Mount,	Srope,
Cook,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ridgway,	Ware—16.
Harrison,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 19.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from Catharine Layton, praying a law to authorize the sale and conveyance of certain real estate therein named;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Warne presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh, in said county;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of Passaic and Bergen counties, praying a law requiring the Patterson and Hudson River Railroad to widen the draw of their bridge over the Passaic river, reported a bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to be erected over the Passaic river;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of a number of the citizens of the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson, praying a division of said township, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Whitney presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Camden, praying an alteration in the act incorporating said city;

Which was read and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Whitney, Patterson and Cook.

Mr. Congar, in pursuance of notice given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;"

Which bill was read, and ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Irons, pursuant to notice previously given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charter of the Monmouth Bank;"

Which bill was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Cook, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state of New Jersey, in certain lands therein named;"

Which was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cook gave notice that he should on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act to provide for voting by ballot, in the township of Bellville, in the county of Essex, passed February 28th, 1840."

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce George W. Mount, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife, Mary Mount,"

Was taken up read a first time and referred to the committee on divorces.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Rebecca M. Couch, of the county of Cumberland, from her husband, Asa Couch,

Was taken up, read a third time, and,

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Potter,
Baker,	Field,	Reynolds,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	Robins,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Schenck,
Brown,	Irons,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cory,	Maskell,	Srope,
Cooper,	Mount,	Stephens,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Throckmorton,

Messrs. Van Houten,	Messrs. Warne,	Messrs. Willets,
Voorhees,	Wheaton,	Winter—38.
Ware,	Wildrick,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Van Boskerck,
Flomerfelt,	Ridway,	Whitney—11.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerman from her husband, Daniel Ackerman;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and,

On motion of Mr. N. Smith, was recommitted to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Clark gave notice that he should on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to extend the right of trial by jury."

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Warne presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the christian sabbath;

Which were referred to the committee on the subject of inns and taverns, without reading.

Mr. Snowdon presented a similar petition from citizens of Gloucester county;

Which was referred to the same committee without reading.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that he should on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act supplementary to an act concerning crimes."

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from his excellency, the Governor, covering the document therein referred to:

TRENTON, January 19, 1843.

Sir—I enclose a communication from the treasurer of this state, which you will please lay before the House of Assembly.

With great respect, your obedient servant,

WM. PENNINGTON.

Hon. SAMUEL B. HALSEY, speaker, &c.

His Excellency, William Pennington, Governor, &c.:

Dear sir,—I have the honor to inform you that since the last sitting of the legislature, I have by virtue of your commission as agent for that purpose, received from the treasurer of the United States, the sum of thirteen thousand and fifty dollars, and forty-two cents, on account of the sales of the public lands.

As no disposition of the same had been made by the legislature, in obedience to your instructions, and in discharge of my agency, I deposited the same in the Trenton Banking Company.

Yours, very respectfully, &c.,

ISAAC SOUTHARD.

TRENTON, January 9, 1843.

Which was read and referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Clark presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Morris, praying for a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce John W. Mount, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife, Mary Mount,

Reported the same to the House, without amendment.

Mr. Mount, from the same committee to whom had been recommitted the bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerman from her husband, Daniel Ackerman,"

Reported the same to the House with amendments;

Which bill was taken up, read a second time with the amendments, the amendments agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed, and have a third reading.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of David B. Thorp, a minor, reported a bill entitled,

"An act relative to land of David B. Thorp, a minor;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Patterson, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;" also,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state of New Jersey to certain lands therein named,"

Reported said bills to the House without amendment.

Mr. Reynolds, called up the resolution offered by him some days since, which was read as follows:

Resolved, (Council concurring therein,) That the inspectors of the state prison be authorized to invite the resident clergy of the city of Trenton, in turn to perform religious services at the state prison, on each sabbath in the ensuing year, and that the treasurer be authorized to pay, upon the order of the prison keeper, out of any moneys of the state not otherwise appropriated, dollars for the services of each sabbath, to the clergyman who may perform the same.

Mr. Willets moved to amend, by striking out all after the word year;

Which amendment was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was read, and on motion of Mr. Congar, ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from the common council of Jersey City, praying for sundry amendments to the charter of said city;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Richards offered the following:

Resolved, That leave be granted to Mr. Tower, the principal of the Philadelphia institution for the instruction of the blind, to make use of this hall on any evening during the coming week, for the purpose of exhibiting to members of

Council and Assembly, the proficiency which the pupils under his care have made in their studies and mechanical arts.

Which was read and adopted.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 20.

At ten o'clock the house met.

Mr. Whitney presented a petition from sixty-one citizens of Gloucester county, praying for a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath.

Mr. Clark presented another of like import from sixty-eight citizens of Morris.

Mr. Cory another from six hundred and sixty-two citizens of this state.

Mr. Baker another from one hundred and eighty-six citizens of this state.

Mr. Winter another from twenty-three citizens of Warren county.

Which were severally referred to the committee on inns and taverns.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from Marshia Karesboom, praying a divorce from her husband, Hermanis Karesboom;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces, without reading.

Mr. Throckmorton presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Monmouth, Middlesex, Mercer and Burlington, praying for an act to allow to land holders, through whose land a highway may hereafter be laid, a just compensation for the number of acres used for said highway, and such other damages as may accrue from the laying of said highway;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of the Elizabethport and New York Ferry Company, reported against granting the prayer of the petition;

Which report was agreed to.

Mr. Whitney, in pursuance of notice previously given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th February, 1829;"

Which bill was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Lydia Baxter for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Lydia Baxter, from her husband, William Baxter;"

Which was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of Stephen Budd, for a divorce from his wife, Susan Elizabeth Budd, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Stephen Budd from his wife, Susan Elizabeth Budd;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cook, pursuant to notice previously given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act to provide for voting by ballot, in the township of Bellville, in the county of Essex, passed February 28, 1840;

Which was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of the Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, praying an act to authorize the said company to reduce their capital stock, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the stockholders of the Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, to reduce their capital stock;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ware offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed

to report to this House relative to the revision of the constitution of this state;

Which was read, and amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to report a bill to this House, providing for the revision of the constitution of this state;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Lum asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application of the Elizabethport and New York Ferry Company.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann F. Randolph, from her husband, Stille F. Randolph,

Was taken up, read a third time, and,

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Robins,
Bonnell,	Field,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Freneh,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Srope,
Congar,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Cook,	Mount,	Ware,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Winter—36.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Potter,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Deacon,	Richards,	Van Houten,
Flomerfelt,	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Willets—13.
Mattison,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerman from her husband, Daniel Ackerman,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Baker,	Irons,	Srope,
Bonnell,	Jacobus,	Throckmorton,
Brinly,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Patterson,	Ware,
Clark,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Cory,	Robins,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	N. Smith,	Willets,
Field,	S. C. Smith,	Winter—34.
French,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Maskell,	Messrs. Ridgway,
Deacon,	Mattison,	Ryerson,
Dickinson,	Mount,	Satterthwait,
Flomerfelt,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Whitney—16.
Lum,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to be erected, over the Passaic river,

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. S. C. Smith presented a petition from one hundred and ten citizens of Essex county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from Ann Wilson, of the county of Mercer, praying a divorce from her husband, John Wilson;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces, without reading.

The speaker laid before the House the statement of the Monmouth Bank;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed with the other bank statements.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have passed the bill from Assembly entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized;"

With sundry amendments, to which amendments the concurrence of the Assembly is requested.

The above bill entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized,"

As amended in Council, was taken up, the amendments read and concurred in, and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled,

"An act authorizing trustees to sell and convey certain real estate, whereof Maria Mullany died seized,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and

Upon the question, shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by Council therein, and have ordered said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Richard Jacques, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Clark, in pursuance of notice previously given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to extend the right of trial by jury;"

Which bill was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Hynard moved to reconsider the resolution offered by Mr. Ware this morning, instructing the committee on the judiciary to report a bill to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state;

Which was agreed to, and the said resolution ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following:

Resolved, That the ashes now deposited on the cellar of the State House, and on the grounds surrounding the same, be given to the door keeper of this House, on condition that he remove it without unnecessary delay;

Which was read and adopted.

The clerk of the House asked and obtained leave of absence until Monday afternoon next,

Whereupon Mr. Congar moved that Daniel Dodd, jr. be appointed clerk *pro tempore* during the absence of the clerk;

To which motion the House agreed, and he was thereupon duly sworn.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 21.

At ten o'clock the House met.

On motion of Mr. Congar,

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the clerk of this House is temporarily absent, and that they have elected Daniel Dodd, jr., their clerk *pro tempore*.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from twenty-six inhabitants of Morris county for a repeal of the act entitled, "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt," passed March 9th, 1842:

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from eighteen inhabitants of Mercer county, for a law to provide for the holding of a state convention to frame a constitution of this state, to be submitted to the people;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Winter presented one of like import from fifty-three inhabitants of Warren county;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Whitney presented a memorial from twenty-four citizens of Camden, praying that the proposed alteration in their charter may not be made at this sitting of the legislature;

Which was read and referred to the select committee already raised on that subject.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate Jersey City, passed February 22d, 1838;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Deacon offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to Monday afternoon next, at three o'clock;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Congar gave notice, that on some future day he should ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named."

Mr. Butcher gave notice that on some future day he should ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A bill for the protection of bridges in the county of Cumberland."

The House adjourned to Monday afternoon next, at three o'clock.

MONDAY, January 23.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from fifty-one citizens of New Jersey, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Deacon presented a petition from one hundred and eighteen inhabitants of the township of Burlington, praying an extension of the lien law to that township;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Cook presented a petition from one hundred and twelve citizens of the city of Newark, praying an extension of the lien law to that city.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from forty-four citizens of Warren county, praying the passage of a law prohibiting the sale of ardent spirits on Sunday;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from Richard Hendrickson for a law to authorize legal conveyances to be made according to the terms of a certain petition;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Winter presented four petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to incorporate a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh, in Warren county;

Which were laid on the table without reading.

Mr. Brown presented a petition from three citizens of Middlesex county, praying the abolition of all laws for the collection of debts;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Congar, pursuant to previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charter of certain banks therein named;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces,"

Being taken up,

Mr. Congar moved to dispense with the rule which requires that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole:

Which was agreed to, and

The bill was read, considered by sections, agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed and to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state of New Jersey in certain lands therein mentioned,"

Was read, considered by sections, agreed to, and ordered to be engrossed and to have a third reading.

Mr. Van Houten presented the abstract of ratables of the county of Passaic;

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 24.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green presented a petition from citizens of New Jersey, praying a repeal or amendment of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed March, 1842;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Jacobus presented a petition from ninety-six citizens of Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey, praying the legislature to enact such laws as shall make this state in reality, (what it is nominally,) a free state;

Which was read, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Jacobus, Ware, and Baker.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on ways and means, offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring,) That the agent appointed by the Governor to receive the money due to this state from the general government, under the act of Congress for distributing the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, be, and he is hereby directed, to pay the amount so received, together with any other monies he may receive from the same source during the present fiscal year, into the state treasury; and that the same be applied to the payment of temporary loans, and to meet the current expenses of the government;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mount offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That two copies of Elmer's Digest be furnished to the township of Hamilton, Mercer county, by the librarian, for the common use of the officers of said township;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the passage of said resolution, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the sale of the real estate of Richard Jacques, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Clark,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cook,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Ridgway,	Whitney—22.
Field,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	Srope.
Brinly,	Irons,	Van Houten,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Ware,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Warne,
Conover,	Mount,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Willets,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Winter—24.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state of New Jersey, in certain lands therein named;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and,

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson,"

Was read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed, and to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th February, 1829,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and committed to the committee on the judiciary, with instructions to report a bill.

The bill entitled,

"Supplement to an act to provide for voting by ballot, in the

township of Bellville, in the county of Essex, passed February 28th, 1840,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and to have a third reading.

The House adjourned till three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from William W. Wilson, of Hardwick township, Warren county, praying that the tax upon cotton factories may be apportioned by the one hundred or one thousand spindles in operation;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Congar presented the resignation of Robert B. Canfield, as commissioner under the act of the legislature entitled, "an act to authorize the draining of low grounds in the town of Newark," passed November 25th, 1822;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Congar presented a remonstrance from Daniel Oakey, executor, &c., of Samuel Bridge, deceased, against the passage of the law for removing the mill dams at Little Falls, in the Passaic River;

Which was laid on the table without reading.

Mr. Warne presented a petition from Hunterdon county, and two from Warren county, praying an act to incorporate a bank, to be located at Phillipsburgh, in Warren county;

Which was laid on the table without reading.

Mr. Potter, from the committee on the militia, to whom had been referred a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Jacobus presented a petition from certain land owners in the Hetfield swamp incorporation, praying that their lands may be set off from said incorporation;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Warne presented a petition from citizens of Oxford, Warren county, praying the passage of a law to prohibit the sale of ardent spirits on Sunday;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Allen presented a petition from the officers of the anti-slavery convention, assembled in Woodbury, on the 12th and 13th of January, praying that all laws of this state may be repealed, which in any manner sanction or aid in holding human beings in slavery in this state;

Which was read and referred to the select committee raised this morning upon that subject.

Mr. Stephens, from the committee on claims and pensions, to whom had been referred the petition of John Carter, of Atlantic county, for a pension, reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Carter, of the county of Anlantic;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Richards, the printing thereof was dispensed with.

Mr. Congar moved that the bill introduced with leave of the House by him a few days since, entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Be referred to the committee on corporations;

Which motion was agreed to.

The speaker laid before the House certain tabular statements, relative to the distribution of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands by the general government;

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means without reading.

Mr. Allen offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to report a bill to this House, giving power and making it the duty of the township collectors to

collect the tax warrant, instead of the constable, as is now provided for by law;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, January 25.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from forty-two citizens of Warren county, praying for a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on Sunday.

Mr. Throckmorton presented two petitions of like import from a number of the citizens of Monmouth county;

Which were severally referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Brown presented a petition from Joshua O. Horton, praying for a divorce from his wife, Jane Horton;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from Eliza Coddington, praying a divorce from her husband, Benjamin Coddington;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces, without reading.

Mr. Cory presented a petition from the officers of the Essex county temperance society, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on Sunday;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act further to extend the act incorporating state banks in New Jersey,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means, to whom had been referred so much of the Governor's message as

relates to the transfer of stock to the school fund, reported the following joint resolution:

Whereas, this state is indebted to the school fund for money borrowed to aid in the erection of the state prison, and for other purposes; and whereas, it is the opinion of this legislature, that that fund should be held sacred and inviolate; and whereas, it would be oppressive to the people to pay the same by taxation; therefore,

Resolved, That the treasurer be, and he is hereby empowered and directed, to transfer to the trustees of the school fund all, or so much of the capital stock of the Camden and Amboy Railroad and Transportation Company owned by this state, as shall be sufficient, at its par value, to liquidate the indebtedness of the state to said school fund; and the state hereby guarantees an annual interest thereon at the rate of six per centum per annum, and the ultimate redemption of said stock at its par value, of one hundred dollars per share;

Which joint resolution was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, reported a bill entitled,

"An act supplementary to the several acts relating to the partition of real estate;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, also reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates to regulate the jurisdiction of the prerogative court, and to establish an orphans' court in the several counties of this state;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following joint resolutions:

Whereas, an untarnished reputation, based upon strict integrity, and a rigid adherence to good faith in all our public transactions, is not only of inestimable importance, but indispensably necessary to the well-being, prosperity and happiness of our common country;

And whereas, we have hitherto preserved inviolate our plighted faith, and cherished with enthusiasm our unblemished honor, regarding it as a precious heritage from noble sires, earned by the toil, purchased by the blood, and endeared to us by the sufferings, of the patriots of the revolution.

And whereas, it is not only highly dishonorable, but directly conflicting with every principle of justice and morality, for any state, nation or people, to repudiate or disown obligations contracted in good faith, and with mutual concurrence, because such contracting power is not legally responsible, or such obligation may not be legally enforced:

And whereas, in a portion of our Union, doctrines have been promulgated, tending to degrade the national honor, destroy the national credit, and debase the national character, unjustly involving in a common odium the other portions of this Union, and causing our name to be a bye-word and reproach throughout the civilized world:

And whereas, a belief extensively prevails that these odious doctrines meet with a silent assent, if not general approbation throughout our confederation, thereby tarnishing by implication our country's fair fame, and rendering it not only expedient, but highly necessary and proper, that the voice of the people in their primary assemblies, and in their legislative halls, should be universally, fully and unequivocally expressed; therefore,

Resolved, by the Council and General Assembly of the state of New Jersey, That we heartily deprecate, indignantly repel, and utterly condemn, the novel doctrine of repudiation of state debts, and desire now, and for all time, distinctly and unequivocally to declare, that New Jersey not only disavows any and all participation in such sentiments, but will not suffer the moral sense of her people to be outraged by their avowal in any part of our union, by any portion of its citizens, without an expression of her open, thorough, and decided condemnation.

Resolved, secondly, That we should be recreant to every virtuous principle, and honest impulse, and faithless to all moral obligation, did we hesitate to take a firm and unwavering stand, and exert the utmost energies of our state and people in vindication of the probity, and the untarnished reputation transmitted by our fathers, which form the groundwork of that just pride and veneration with which their honored names are associated, and a broad basis of national integrity, which all should delight to emulate and defend.

Resolved, thirdly, That public credit is one of the vital principles, and a main spring of national prosperity, and indissolubly associated as it is, with an unimpeachable character for strict honesty, must be greatly impaired, if not utterly destroyed, by any disregard of this indispensible requisite, in the formation of national as well as of individual good character.

Resolved, fourthly, That the same laws of retributive justice govern nations as individuals, and that no country or people can

swerve with impunity from the straightforward path of uprightness and integrity. When the quick sense of honor becomes blunted, and the shame of merited reproach is unfelt or unheeded, the public morals will deteriorate and public virtue decline, and in their downward course bear with them national respectability and national worth, and finally whelm the work and pride of ages in irretrievable ruin.

Resolved, fifthly, That it is our earnest hope and belief that the doctrine of repudiation has obtained but a partial foothold on the soil of our union, and a limited portion of its citizens for its advocates and defenders, and are proud to assert that the mass of our people are, and ever have been, firm in their adherence to all the maxims of probity, unwavering in their acknowledgement of all the exactions of good faith, honorable in the discharge of all the obligations which mutual contracts impose, or the conventional usages of society imply, and proudly sensitive to the aspersion of national disgrace.

Resolved, sixthly, That considerations above and distinct from party, reaching far beyond our day and generation, and intimately affecting, as we sacredly believe, the future character, varied interests, and permanent prosperity of our beloved country, solemnly impel us to speak fearlessly and unhesitatingly on this subject, and in a spirit of patriotism, which should look beyond state limits, we beseech our fellow citizens throughout the length and breadth of this union, to join us in reprobating all violations of good faith, and in vindicating the honor and reputation of our common country.

Which were read, and ordered to have a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act to provide for voting by ballot, in the township of Bellville, in the county of Essex, passed February 28, 1840;

Was taken up, read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the stockholders of the Mechanics' and Manufacturers' Bank at Trenton, to reduce their capital stock;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Green,

Was recommitted to the committee on corporations.

The bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Carter, of the county of Atlantic,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce George W. Mount, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife, Mary Mount,"

Was taken, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Throckmorton, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day, was dispensed with, and the said bill taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Irons,	Srope,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Throckmorton,
Butcher,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Clark,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Congar,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Conover,	Mount,	Ware,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Robins,	Willets,
Field,	Schenck,	Winter—36.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Ryerson,
Dawes,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Deacon,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Stephens,
Flomerfelt,	Ridgway,	Whitney—16.
Green,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill and without amendment.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Monroe township, in the county of Middlesex, praying a law to authorize the inhabitants of said township to vote by ballot at their town meetings;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Cory presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Cumberland, praying for a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of Richard Hendrickson, praying for an act to perfect the partition of certain real estate of Philip Hendrickson, deceased, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the partition of certain real estate, whereof Philip Hendrickson died seized;

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Richards offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire whether the sum of money appropriated annually for the instruction of the indigent blind of this state, by the act passed March 8th, 1836, has been expended agreeably to the provisions of said act, and whether any moneys appropriated as aforesaid remain in the treasury of the state, and that the committee report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Congar presented the affidavit of Samuel P. Hull, that the notice for the application for the renewal of the charter of the president, directors and company, of the State Bank at Morris, had been published according to law;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 26.

At ten o'clock the house met.

Mr. Hynard presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Sussex county, praying for an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Field presented a petition from forty-three citizens of Rahway, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath.

Mr. Winter presented a petition of like import from citizens of Warren county.

Both of which were referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Dickinson presented a petition from the members of the Jefferson beneficial society, praying an alteration in the corporate name of said company;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Ware presented a petition from citizens of Cumberland county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented the petition of James P. Barlow, for a divorce from his wife, Maria L. Barlow;

Which was referred to the committee on divorces without reading.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the townships of New Barbadoes and Washington, in the county of Bergen, praying an alteration in the division line of said townships;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Warne presented a petition from a number of the inhab-

itants of Warren county, praying an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh, in said county;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from citizens of Perth Amboy, praying an alteration in the charter of said city;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee raised upon the same subject, upon the like application from the city of Camden.

Mr. Patterson presented another petition from the citizens of Perth Amboy, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Robins presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Salem county, praying a reduction of the costs in the collection of money on promissory notes of more than one hundred dollars, and also to reduce the cost consequent upon the foreclosure of mortgages upon real estate.

Mr. Dickinson presented another of like import from citizens of the same county;

Both of which were read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Mattison presented a petition from thirty-eight citizens of Hunterdon county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on Sunday;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rockaway Manufacturing Company,"

Reported the same to the House with amendments.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the resolution from the House of Assembly relative to furnishing the township of Hamilton, in the county of Mercer, with two copies of Elmer's digest, with an amendment;

To which amendment the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Also, the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Wanamaker, one of the executors of Darius Everett, deceased, to convey certain real estate;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize George Wanamaker, one of the executors of Darius Everett, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the select committee, to whom had been referred the petitions relative to the shad fisheries in the river Delaware, reported a bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Jacobus offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That one copy of Elmer's digest be furnished to the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, by the librarian, for the use of the officers of said township.

Mr. Irons moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "Essex" the following: "and one copy for the township of Dover, in the county of Monmouth;"

Which was agreed to, and the resolution read and adopted, as follows;

Resolved, (Council concurring) That one copy of Elmer's digest be furnished to the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, and one copy to the township of Dover, in the county of Monmouth, by the librarian, for the use of the officers of said townships.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Conover called up the resolution offered by Mr. Whitney some days since, relative to adjournment, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die*, on Tuesday, the 31st instant.

Mr. Congar moved to amend the resolution, by striking out, "Tuesday, the 31st instant," and inserting "Friday, the 24th of February."

After some discussion, Mr. Congar withdrew his motion.

Mr. Demarest moved to amend the resolution by striking out "Tuesday, the 31st instant," and inserting "Friday, the 17th February."

And the question being upon agreeing to the amendment, the yeas and nays were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Schenck,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mattison,	Throckmorton.
Cory,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Potter,	Warne,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Field,	Ridgway,	Willets,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Winter—36.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Bonnell,	Flomerfelt,	Richards,
Brinly,	French,	Robins,
Brown,	Green,	Ware,
Conover,	Irons,	Whitney—17.
Deacon,	Maskell,	

So the amendment was agreed to, and the question recurring upon the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Whitney moved to strike out the word "seventeenth" and insert "tenth," and the yeas and nays being called for, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Bonnell,	Green,	Van Houten,
Brinly,	Harrison,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Conover,	Maskell,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Whitney,
Deacon,	Richards,	Willets—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Ridgway,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,
Brown,	Hynard,	Satterthwait,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Schenck,
Congar,	Kline,	N. Smith,
Cook,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Cory,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Throckmorton,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Van Boskerck,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Field,	Reynolds,	Winter—33.

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amended resolution, it was read, as follows:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Friday, the 17th of February.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Lum,	Stephens,
Conover,	Maskell,	Throckmorton,
Cook,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Ware,
Deacon,	Potter,	Warne,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Whitney,
Field,	Ridgway,	Willets,
French,	Robins,	Winter—49.
Green,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Brown,	Mr. Irons—5.
Brinly,	Flomerfelt,	

So the resolution was adopted.

The bill entitled,

"An act relative to lands of David B. Thorpe, a minor,"

"Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from citizens of Jersey City, and Van Vorst township, relative to the division of the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson;

Which was read, and ordered to lay on the table.

Mr. Irons presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Monmouth county, praying the passage of a supplement to the act entitled, an act to regulate fences, passed 23d January, 1799;

Which was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Throckmorton presented eight petitions of a similar character from citizens of Monmouth county;

Which were also referred to the committee on agriculture, without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on Sunday;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Wildrick also presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying for a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Flomerfelt presented three petitions from citizens of Hunterdon and Warren counties, praying an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from citizens of Essex county, praying a law on the subject of vacating or altering public roads;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Green presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, praying a law authorizing an appeal from the assessment of the board of assessors, in the apportionment of the state and county tax, to the several townships;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been committed the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th February, 1829,"

Reported the same to the House with amendments.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Joshua O. Horton for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Joshua O. Horton, of the county of Essex, from his wife, Jane Horton;

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Cooper asked, and obtained leave, to withdraw the papers relative to the application of the State Bank at Morris, for an extension of their charter.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, presented the following report:

The judiciary committee, to whom was referred the petition of certain inhabitants of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying for further protection against trespassing with guns, have examined the subject, and are of opinion that no further legislation upon the subject embraced in the prayer of the petition is necessary.

They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition, and that the committee be discharged faom the further consideration of the subject;

Which was read and adopted.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes."

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

The concurrent resolution passed in the House of Assembly, authorizing the librarian to furnish the township of Hamilton, in the county of Mercer, with Elmer's digest,

Was taken up and read with the amendments made in Council, and on motion of Mr. Green,

Ordered to lie on the table,

On motion of Mr. Congar, the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize George Wanamaker, one of the executors of Darius Everett, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson,"

Was taken up, read a third time,

And upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Stephen Budd from his wife, Susan Elizabeth Budd,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 27.

At ten o'clock the house met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a remonstrance from a number of the citizens of Hudson county, remonstrating against the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Whitney presented a memorial from citizens of Camden, remonstrating against any alteration in the charter of said city;

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject, without reading.

Mr. Jacobus presented a petition signed by a number of the citizens of this state, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Ware presented two petitions from citizens of Cumberland county, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which were referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Dawes presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Hunterdon county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the Sabbath;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

Mr. Demarest presented a remonstrance from citizens of New Barbadoes township, in the county of Bergen, and also, one from the citizens of Washington township, in the said county, remonstrating against the alteration of the boundary line between the townships of New Barbadoes and Washington;

Which were referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition praying for a supplement to the law entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries on the river Delaware;

Which was referred to the special committee on that subject without reading.

Mr. N. Smith presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Sussex, praying an amendment to the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes;"

Also, the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize George Wanamaker, one of the executors of Darius Everett, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Reported said bills to the House without amendment.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Eliza Coddington for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Eliza Coddington from her husband, Benjamin Coddington;

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to be erected, over the Passaic river,"

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Richards, was recommitted to the committee on corporations.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Stephen Budd from his wife, Susan Elizbeth Budd,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question,

Shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. Field,
Baker,	Cook,	French,
Baldwin,	Cory,	Hynard,
Brown,	Cooper,	Irons,
Butcher,	Dawes,	Jacobus,
Clark,	Demarest,	Kline,
Congar,	Dickinson,	Maskell,

Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Schenck,	Messrs. Voorhees,
Oliphant,	N. Smith,	Ware,
Potter,	S. C. Smith,	Warne,
Reynolds,	Stephens,	Wheaton,
Ridgway,	Throckmorton,	Wildrick,
Robins,	Van Houten,	Willets—39.

NAYS.

Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. Whitney,
Flomerfelt,	Patterson,	Van Boskerek,
Green,	Richards,	Winter—11.
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills entitled,

"An act authorizing the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate," and

"An act to incorporate the Raritan Mining Company;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act authorizing the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Raritan Mining Company,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Carter, of the county of Atlantic,"

Was taken up, and read a third time and compared.

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Hynard,	Schenck,
Bonnell,	Irons,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Kline,	Stephens,
Congar,	Lum,	Throckmorton,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Mount,	Ware,
Demarest,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Dickinson,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Field,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Willets,
Green,	Ridway,	Winter—42.

NAYS.

Mr. Dawes,	Mr. French,	Mr. Wheaton—3.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,
"An act relative to lands of David B. Thorp, a minor."
Was taken up, read a third time, and compard.
And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Robins,
Bonnell,	Irons,	Satterthwait,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Schenck,
Congar,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Conover,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cook,	Maskell,	Throckmorton,
Cory,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Field,	Potter,	Ware,
Green,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Wheaton,
Harrison,	Ridgway,	Willets—39.

NAYS.

Mr. N. Smith, Mr. Winter—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The joint resolution, reported by Mr. Whitey from the committee of ways and means, relative to the transfer of stock to the school fund,

Was taken up, and the first section of said resolution being under consideration, the House disagreed to said section, and

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed.

The House dispensed with so much of the — rules of the House as require that all public bills shall be made the order of some particular day, and read in committee of the whole, and took up the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th February, 1829;"

Which was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates, to regulate the jurisdiction of the prerogative court, and to establish an orphans' court in the several counties of this state,"

Was taken up, and recommitted to the committee on the judiciary.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize George Wanamaker, one of the executors of Darius Everett, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day, was dispened with, and the said bill

Was taken up, read a third time, and,

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of the state;

Which were referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a memorial from citizens of Jersey City, remonstrating against certain alterations prayed for in the charter of said city;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Demarest presented two remonstrances from the township of New Barbadoes, in the county of Bergen, remonstrating against the alteration in the division line between the townships of New Barbadoes and Washington, in the county of Bergen;"

Which were referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

Mr. Ryerson presented a petition from citizens of the township of Aquackanonck, in the county of Passaic, praying that the provisions of the "lien law" may be extended to said township;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from the treasurer of the state:

TREASURY OFFICE, January 27, 1843.

Hon. Samuel B. Halsey,
Speaker of the House of Assembly:

Dear sir,—I have this day received the inclosed communication, which you will please have the goodness to lay before the House.

Yours, very respectfully, &c.,

ISAAC SOUTHARD,
Treasurer of New Jersey.

BURLINGTON, January 26, 1843.

Dear sir,—I have received a letter from E. Kingsbury, Esq., of Honesdale, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, formerly, I believe, a member of the senate of that state, making inquiries concerning certain stock held by New Jersey in the Milford and Owego turnpike company.

He wishes to know whether it can be purchased, for what price, terms, &c.; and if such as he can accept, he will come to Trenton and consummate the sale and transfer.

He states he is one of the managers of this turnpike company; that he in common with others residing on the eastern end of the road, feel an interest in its affairs; that a majority of the managers have always resided on the western part of the road; and that the affairs of the company have been conducted to suit them, and as some believe, not for the best interests of the company; and that he is desirous of obtaining this stock, so as to be able to have a voice in the doings of the board of managers more than they now have on the eastern end of the road.

I have thought proper to address you on the subject, as I have no doubt you will be able to obtain all the necessary information, and give me an answer to Mr. Kingsbury's application.

I suppose an act or resolution of the legislature will be necessary to authorize a sale. Will you be so good as to direct your attention to the subject as early as you can.

If our legislature should be willing to sell the stock, and agree upon the price and terms, yet I am fearful they cannot be known in time to enable me to write to Mr. Kingsbury, that he might come to Trenton, in case he accepts them, before the legislature rise. Would it not be best therefore for them to authorize you, by resolution, to sell? The lowest price might be fixed, or left to your discretion, as they judge best.

From the reasons given by Mr. Kingsbury for wishing to obtain the stock, I should judge that if he become the purchaser, it is very necessary he should do so as early as practicable, say before the approaching season for working, repairing and improving the road. It appears to me, therefore, advisable he should have an early answer.

Please, therefore, present the subject to the legislature, if you consider it expedient, and let me know the result.

Very respectfully, I remain yours, &c.,

CHARLES KINSEY.

ISAAC SOUTHARD, Esq., Treasurer of New Jersey.

Which was read, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of Hunterdon county, praying an alteration in the law respecting roads;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition of citizens of Newark, praying the passage of a lien law that will effectually protect the interests of mechanics, laborers, and others, employed in building, and in furnishing materials for houses, &c., reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others, in the erection, alteration and repair of buildings in the city of Newark;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck offered the following:

Resolved, That the judiciary committee be instructed to inquire whether any, and what alterations are required in the mode of punishment prescribed by the act entitled, an act to describe, apprehend, and punish, disorderly persons, passed 10th June, 1799;

Which was read and adopted.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson,"

Was taken up, read a third time,

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Lydia Baxter, from her husband, William Baxter,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House dispensed with so much of their rules as require that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day; and read in committee of the whole, and took up the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes:"

Which was read, and the third section thereof being under consideration, as follows:

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That in any cause to be tried in any court for the trial of small causes, where the debt or demand does not exceed the sum of fifty dollars, the venere to be issued shall be to summon a jury of six men, and no more, to try the same.

Mr. Conover moved to strike out said section, and the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Congar,	Ridgway,	Throckmorton,
Conover,	Ryerson,	Ware,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Warne,
Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,	Wildrick,
Irons,	Stephens,	Winter—19.
Kline,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	Robins,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Satterthwait,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Mount,	Wheaton,
Dickinson,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Field,	Potter,	Willets—34.
French,		

So the motion to strike out was not agreed to.

Mr. Demarest moved to strike out the word "fifty," and insert "twenty-five," in said section.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Maskell,	Messrs. Stephens,
Congar,	Oliphant,	Throckmorton,
Conover,	Ridway,	Ware,
Demarest,	Ryerson,	Warne,
Flomerfelt,	Satterthwait,	Wildrick,
Irons,	N. Smith,	Winter—19.
Lum,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
French,	Richards,	Willets—31.
Green,		

So the amendment was not agreed to.

And the bill having been read through, was ordered to have a third reading.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

On motion, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

SATURDAY, January 28.

At nine o'clock the House met.

Mr. Irons presented a petition from a number of the citizens of this state, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from John Higgins of the county of Warren, praying for a divorce from his wife, Isabella Higgins;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Demarest presented a remonstrance from citizens of the township of New Barbadoes, Bergen county, against the alteration of the boundary line between the townships of New Barbadoes and Washington, in the county of Bergen;

Which was referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

Mr. Green presented the petition of Robert Thomas, a revolutionary soldier, praying for a pension;

Which was referred to the committee on claims and pensions without reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of James P. Barlow for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce James P. Barlow from his wife, Maria L. Barlow;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act authorizing the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate,

Reported the same to the House with amendments.

Mr. Winter offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of requiring all votes at town-

meetings in the several townships to be by ballot, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read, and not agreed to.

Mr. Cooper moved to reconsider the vote on the above resolution;

Which was agreed to, and upon motion of Mr. Willets,

The resolution was ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and

On motion of Mr. Mount, the further consideration thereof was postponed for the present.

Mr. Mount offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet on Monday afternoon at three o'clock;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, January 30.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Irons presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Monmouth county, praying that the provisions of the act entitled, "an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labour and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed 3d day of March, 1835," may be extended to the said county of Monmouth;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Oliphant presented two petitions of like import;

Which were referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Ridgway presented a petition from citizens of Burlington county, praying a law to prohibit the use of more than one seine or net in any one pool or fishing place in the river Delaware, within the jurisdiction of this state, and within the limits of the concurrent jurisdiction of this state and the state of Pennsylvania;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cooper presented two petitions from citizens of Morris county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisoment for debt;

Which were read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of Essex county, praying an extension of the right of suffrage to persons of color owning real estate to the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from citizens of the borough of Elizabeth, praying an alteration in the charter of said borough, authorizing the voters thereof to elect their mayor, deputy mayor, recorder, aldermen, and clerk, at their annual town meetings;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee raised upon that subject on the like application from the city of Camden.

Mr. S. C. Smith presented a petition from citizens of Essex county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was referred to the committee on inns and taverns without reading.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the House dispensed with so much of rule forty-sixth, as requires that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and read in committee of the whole, and took up the bill entitled,

"An act supplementary to the several acts relating to the partition of real estate;"

Which was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to release to Ann Roth the right of the state of New Jersey in certain lands therein mentioned,"

Without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the partition of certain real estate, whereof Philip Hendrickson, died seized,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act authorizing the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, and read with the amendments made by the committee on the judiciary, the amendments agreed to and ordered to be engrossed, and the bill ordered to have a third reading.

Mr. Cook, in pursuance of previous notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in the city of Newark, in the county of Essex;"

Which was read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 31.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mattison presented a petition from citizens, of Hunterdon county, praying an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at the town of Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the counties of Morris and Essex, praying a law making the trespassing on lands with dogs and guns an indictable offence, and punishable with fine or imprisonment in the county jail; or liable to a civil action, at the option of the party injured;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Winter presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying an act of incorporation for a bank to be located at Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which were ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Patterson offered the following:

Resolved, That a select committee of three be appointed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor to ascertain, through the agent of the state of New York, at present in England, procuring copies of documents referring to the early history of that state, what is the character and extent, and what would be the probable cost of obtaining copies of similar documents in the English archieves, referring to New Jersey;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Green, from the special committee, to whom had been referred numerous petitions from different sections of the state, praying alterations in the existing laws regulating the sale of intoxicating drinks, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed the 16th of March, 1798;"

Also, a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed the 24th of February, 1797;"

Which bills were read by their titles, and ordered to have a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th February, 1829,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. French,
Bonnell,	Cooper,	Green,
Brinly,	Dawes,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Brown,	Deacon,	Harrison,
Clark,	Dickinson,	Irons,
Congar,	Field,	Jacobus,
Cook,	Flomerfelt,	Kline,

Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. Ryerson,	Messrs. Voorhees.
Oliphant,	Satterthwait,	Ware,
Patterson,	Schenck,	Wheaton,
Potter,	N. Smith,	Whitney,
Reynolds,	S. C. Smith,	Wildrick,
Richards,	Snowdon,	Willets,
Ridgway,	Van Boskerck,	Winter,
Robins,	Van Houten,	Zabriskie—35.

NAY.

Mr. Butcher—1.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Lydia Baxter from her husband, William Baxter,"

Was taken up, and read a third time and compared.

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brinly,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Clark,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Cooper,	Robins,	Willets,
Field,	Schenck,	Winter—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Ryerson.
Congar,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Cook,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Dawes,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Deacon,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Whitney,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Zabriskie—23.
French,	Ridgway,	

So the bill was lost.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act supplementary to the several acts relating to the partitition of real estate,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared,

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to perfect the partition of certain real estate, whereof Philip Hendrickson, died seized,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act authorizing the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, and read a third time with the amendments made in the House of Assembly,

And upon the question, shall this bill as amended pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill with amendments, to which amendments the assent of Council is requested.

Mr. Butcher, in pursuance of notice given, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act relative to bridges in the county of Cumberland;"

Which was read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The joint resolutions relative to the repudiation of state debts, were taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Oliphant presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Monmouth county, praying for a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wildrick presented a similar petition from citizens of Warren county;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Wildrick also presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Irons presented three petitions from citizens of Monmouth county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which were referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Demarest presented a memorial from the citizens of New Barbadoes, in the county of Bergen, remonstrating against any alteration in the division line between said township and the township of Washington, in said county.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of this state, praying a law to correct, revise, and reduce the fees and costs in the several courts growing out of the administration of justice; and also, to reduce the perquisites and salaries allowed to judges and other public functionaries;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Green, from the committee to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in the city of Newark, in the county of Essex,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary,

informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better regulation of fishing in Cohansey creek, passed the 28th day of January, 1820;" also,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Paterson fire association;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better regulation of fishing in Cohansey creek, passed the 28th day of January, 1820;"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the commitee on the judiciary.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Patterson fire association,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as require that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and resolved itself into committee of the whole, Mr. Congar in the chair, upon the bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to the act entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes,"

And after some time spent in the consideration thereof, the committee rose and reported the bill to the House with amendments;

And the said bill being under consideration, Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the bill just reported to the House entitled, "An act supplementary to an act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes," be recommitted to the special committee raised upon that subject, with instructions to report a bill to regulate fishing in the river Delaware, and for the suppression of gill fishing below the line of the concurrent jurisdiction of this state and the state of Pennsylvania, except by citizens of this state and the state of Delaware;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar moved that the further consideration of said bill be postponed until to-morrow morning.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 1.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Whitney presented a preamble and resolutions, adopted by the city council of Camden, praying a law to authorize the inhabitants of said city to elect their officers at their annual town meetings;

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject without reading.

Mr. Demarest presented a memorial from citizens of the township of New Barbadoes, in the county of Bergen, remonstrating against any alteration in the division line between the said township and the township of Washington, in the county of Bergen;

Which was referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

Mr. Stephens presented a petition from citizens of this state, praying the repeal or modification of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Brinly presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Monmouth county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Mattison presented a similar petition from citizens of Mercer;

Mr. Whitney presented another of like import from citizens of the county of Gloucester;

Which were severally referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Flomerfelt presented a petition from citizens of Hunterdon county, praying for an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at the town of Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Mr. Wildrick presented a similar petition from citizens of Warren county;

Both of which were ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of the Jefferson beneficial society of Salem, for a supplement to their charter, reported a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jefferson beneficial society of the county of Salem, New Jersey, passed the 11th day of March, 1842;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of certain land owners in the Hetfield swamp incorporation, praying a law to set off from said incorporation their lands, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act authorizing the enclosure of a certain tract of land situated in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called the Hetfield swamp, passed the 28th day of January, 1829;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, praying an amendment to the charter of said company, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed February 24th, 1806;"

Which bill was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, praying for a law to authorize the town meeting of said township to vote for their township officers by ballot, reported a bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the inhabitants of the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the bills from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Raritan mining company," and

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Paterson fire association,"

Reported the same to the House without amendments.

Mr. French presented a remonstrance from persons interested in the fisheries on the river Delaware, remonstrating against the passage of the act now before the House entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries in the river Delaware, and for other purposes;"

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better regulation of fishing in Cohansey creek, passed the 28th of January, 1820,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been recommitted the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates to regulate the jurisdiction of the prerogative court, and to establish an orphans' court in the several counties of this state,"

Reported the same to the House with amendments.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of N. L. Stratton and Daniel Fithian, praying for a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, presented the following report:

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of Nathan L. Stratton and Daniel Fithian, for authority to make sale of the interest of the minor children of John Buck, deceased, in certain real estate in the county of Cumberland—report, that the notice of the application required by law has not been given. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject;

Which report was read and agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have agreed to the amendments made by the House of Assembly to the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the executors of John Marseiles, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

And have caused the same to be re-engrossed.

Council have also passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to authorize Caleb Newbold and John Black, trustees of Rachel N. Whitall, to convey certain trust property,"

Without amendment.

The joint resolutions relative to repudiation of state debts,

Were taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall these engrossed joint resolutions pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Brinly,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Kline,	Stephens,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Richards,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Winter,
Field,	Robins,	Zabriskie—49.
Flomerfelt,		

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said resolution, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolutions, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Green called up the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes;"

Which was read a third time and compared, when

Mr. Congar moved to recommit the bill to the committee on the judiciary with instructions to strike out the third section;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar moved to recommit the bill, with instructions so to amend the bill as to make it optional with the parties to have either a six or twelve men jury;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Demarest, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until this afternoon.

The bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries on the river Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up, read a second time with the amendments made in committee of the whole, the amendments agreed to, and the said bill further amended;

And the question being upon ordering this bill to be engrossed, the yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Green,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	Van Houten,
Clark,	Lum,	Voorhees,
Congar,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Mount,	Wildrick,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Winter,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—29.
Field,	Ridgway,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Butcher,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cory,	Patterson,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Ware,
French,	Robins,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Willets—21.

So the bill was ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Houten presented a memorial from the Patterson and Hudson river railroad company, remonstrating against the passage of a law compelling the company to widen the draw of their bridge over the Passaic river;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th day of March, 1797;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have also passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"A supplement to an act to provide for voting by ballot in the township of Bellville, in the county of Essex, passed February 28th, 1840,"

Without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th day of March, 1797,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Mercer, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt may not be repealed or altered in any of its prominent features;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from citizens of the county of Morris, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from a number of the "free

people of color" of the county of Essex, praying that the right of suffrage may be extended to them;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Stephens presented three petitions of like import from citizens of Morris county;

Mr. Ryerson presented another, of like import, from citizens of Paterson, in the county of Passaic;

Which were severally referred to the committee on elections without reading.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mattison presented a petition from two hundred and fifty citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charter of certain banks therein named,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of John Higgins for a divorce, reported against the prayer of the petitioner;

Which report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Ryerson gave notice that he should, on some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the farmers' and manufacturers' bank at Paterson."

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act relative to bridges in the county of Cumberland,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Mount,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Richards,	Whitney,
Dickinson,	Robins,	Willets—26.
French,	Ryerson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Kline,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Lum,	Throckmorton,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Congar,	Patterson,	Ware,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Winter,
Field,	Ridgway,	Zabriskie—26.
Flomerfelt,	Schenck,	

So the bill was lost.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill, and return the same to Council.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 2.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Snowdon presented a petition from Daniel R. Stoy, William Jackson, James Dobbs and John Tassett, praying a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Satterthwait presented a petition from thirty-two citizens of Burlington county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Warren, praying an alteration in the usury laws;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Green presented a petition from fifty-four citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Mr. Reynolds presented another of like import from twenty-two citizens of Somerset county;

Which were severally ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from citizens of Middlesex county, praying the passage of a law providing that the present rate of six per centum per annum shall be considered the legal rate of interest, when no other is expressed in the instrument or obligation given to secure the repayment of the loan, but legalizing contracts for the loan of money at the rate of seven per centum per annum;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inclosure of a certain tract of salt meadow in the township of Lodi, in the county of Bergen;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have also passed the bills from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act relative to lands of David B. Thorp, a minor," and

"An act authorizing the sale of the real estate whereof Richard Jacques died seized,"

Severally without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the inclosure of a certain tract of salt meadow in the township of Lodi, in the county of Bergen,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Baker presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Mercer, praying a law to authorize the holding of a state convention to revise the constitution of the state;

Which were referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. S. C. Smith presented a petition from a number of the citizens of the county of Essex, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th March, 1797,"

Reported the same without amendment.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to authorize an appeal from the decision of the board of assessors, in the apportionment of tax to the different townships, offered the following report:

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of the county of Mercer, praying for the enactment of a supplement to the act entitled, "an act to incorporate the chosen freeholders in the several counties of this state"—report, that they have considered the subject of the petition, and are of opinion that the enactment of the law prayed for, will be inexpedient. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of Catharine Layton, praying for an act to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, presented the following report:

The majority of the committee, to whom was referred the petition of Catharine Layton, for authority to convey certain real estate in which minors are interested—report, that the notice required by law has not been given. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to withdraw her papers, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Whitney, from the special committee, to whom had been referred the petitions from the cities of Camden and Perth Amboy, praying for alterations in their respective charters, reported the following bills:

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, passed the 13th of February, 1828;" and

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784;"

Which bills were read by their titles, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the same committee, offered the following:

The special committee, to whom was referred the petition of inhabitants of the borough of Elizabeth, for an alteration in their charter, having received no evidence that such intended application had been advertised as required by law, report against the said application, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Brown offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee raised for the purpose of investigating the post office accounts of last year, be instructed to progress in their investigation, if they have not yet completed their labors, and report the same to this House;

Which was read, and after some discussion was withdrawn by the mover.

Mr. Irons gave notice, that on some future day he should ask leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to enable the townships of Dover, Middletown and Howell, in the county of Monmouth, to sell certain real estate therein named."

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act to regulate the fisheries on the river Delaware, and for other purposes,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Ridgway,
Baldwin,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Brown,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Clark,	Irons,	Srope,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Mount,	Winter,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—25.
Field,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Kline,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Brinly,	Lum,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Throckmorton,
Cook,	Patterson,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Cooper.	Robins,	Ware,
Dickinson,	Ryerson,	Warne,
French,	N. Smith,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,	Willets—27.

So the bill was lost.

The bill entitled,
"An act to divorce Joshua O. Horton, of the county of Essex, from his wife, Jane Horton,
Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question, shall this bill be engrossed? it was decided in the negative.

The bill from Council entitled,
"A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better regulation of fishing in Cohansey Creek, passed 28th of January, 1820,"
Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,
"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Patterson fire association,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as require that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and considered in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th March, 1797;"

Which was read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Richards, the further consideration thereof was postponed.

On motion, the House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from citizens of the county of Warren, praying for a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Winter presented another petition from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Ridgway presented a petition from a number of citizens of this state, praying the repeal of all laws regulating the fisheries on the river Delaware;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Field offered the following:

Resolved, That each member of the present Legislature, who has not heretofore been furnished with a copy of Professor Rogers' geological survey of this state, be furnished by the librarian with a copy of the same, out of the number now in his possession.

The bill entitled,

"An act to extend the right of trial by jury,"

Was taken up, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Eliza Coddington, from her husband, Benjamin Coddington,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Congar, the bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others in the erection, alteration, and repairs of buildings, in the city of Newark,"

Being a public bill, was made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Being a public bill, was made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed February 24th, 1806,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 3.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying the repeal, or a modification of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of this state, praying a law to correct, revise, and reduce the costs in the several courts, growing out of the administration of justice: and also, to reduce the perquisites and salaries allowed to judges and other public functionaries;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Satterthwait presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Burlington, praying a law to authorize the holding of a state convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Lum, from the committee on agriculture, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the inclosure of a certain tract of salt meadow in the township of Lodi, in the county of Bergen,"

Reported the same without amendment.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Elizabeth M. L. Hassack for a divorce, reported a bill to the House entitled,

"An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Elizabeth L. M. Hassack and her husband, Alexander E. Hassack;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Stephens, from the committee on claims and pensions, to whom had been referred the petition of Robert Thomas, a revolutionary soldier, for a pension, reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Robert Thomas, of the county of Mercer;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the memorial from the grand jury of the county of Essex, relative to costs in criminal cases, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to prevent unnecessary costs in criminal prosecutions;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Congar asked and obtained leave to withdraw the remonstrance of Daniel Oakey, against the passage of a law to remove the dam and reef at Little Falls, in Passaic river.

On motion of Mr. Snowdon, No. 16 of unfinished business, being an act entitled,

"An act for the suppression of horse racing,"

Was taken up, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Snowdon, Demarest, and Van Houten.

In pursuance of notice, Mr. Ryerson asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled

"An act to incorporate the farmers' and merchants' bank of Paterson;"

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of proposing some amendments the present school law, by which the trustees of the different school districts will be enabled to obtain more speedy and effectual possession of their respective shares of the annual proceeds of the school fund of this state.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act for the better regulation of fishing in Cohansey creek, passed 28th January, 1820;"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill from Council pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Butcher,	Messrs. Cook,	Messrs. Deacon,
Clark,	Cory,	Demarest,
Congar,	Cooper,	Field,

Messrs. French,	Messrs. Reynolds,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Green,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Ware,
Irons,	N. Smith,	Wheaton,
Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,	Whitney,
Kline,	Snowdon,	Willets,
Lum,	Stephens,	Winter,
Patterson,	Van Boskerck,	Zabriskie—33.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Srope,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Throckmorton,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Warne—12.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Paterson fire association,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Brinly,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	Srope,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Throckmorton,
Clark,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Cory,	Mount,	Warne,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Willets,
Demarest,	Richards,	Winter,
Dickinson,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—43.
Field,		

NAY.

Mr. Baker—1.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Eliza Coddington from her husband, Benjamin Coddington,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

And upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. Srope,
Bonnell,	Jacobus,	Throckmorton,
Brinly,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Mattison,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Mount,	Ware,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cory,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Cooper,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Robins,	Willets,
Field,	Schenck,	Winter—32.
French,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Ryerson,
Cook,	Lum,	Satterthwait,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
Flomerfelt,	Potter,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Zabriskie—15.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Congar, so much of the rules of the House as require that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, was dispensed with, to take up the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others, in the erection, or alteration and repairs of buildings, in the city of Newark,"

Which was taken up, the reading progressed in, when

On motion, the House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Dickinson presented a petition from Sarah Tomlinson, of the county of Salem, praying a divorce from her husband, David B. Tomlinson;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. Ryerson presented a petition from Samuel R. Gummere, clerk in chancery, James Wilson, clerk of supreme court, and Charles G. McChesney, secretary of state, together with a number of the citizens of Trenton, praying an appropriation for erecting new offices for said officers on the state house grounds:

Which was read, and referred to Messrs. Ryerson, Patterson, Oliphant, Harrison and Dickinson.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Mr. Mattison presented another of like import from citizens of the same county;

Which were severally referrred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Green presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, praying a law for the suppression of horse racing;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Lum, from the committee on agriculture, to whom was referred sundry petitions, praying alterations in the laws regulating fences, reported that the commmittee had examined the subject, and were of opinion that no further legislation is

necessary upon the subject. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers, and the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the militia be instructed to inquire into the expediency of purchasing Cooper's Tactics and Regulations, for the use of the militia and volunteers of this state;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Butcher offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee, to whom was referred the bill to provide for the revision of the constitution, be instructed to report to the House forthwith;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That the judiciary committee, to whom have been referred sundry petitions, praying for the reduction of fees and costs of suit; and also, for the reduction of the perquisites and salaries allowed to judges and other public functionaries, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the said petitions be referred to a select committee of five;

Which was read and adopted, and the said petitions referred to Messrs. Cook, Throckmorton, Maskell, Richards and Bonnell.

Mr. Kline called up the report of the committee on the judiciary on the petition of Catharine Layton; which was read as follows:

The majority of the committee, to whom was referred the petition of Catharine Layton, for authority to convey certain real estate, in which minors are interested—report, that the notice required by law had not been given. They therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their papers, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Kline moved that the House disagree to the said report, and refer the petition back to said committee, with instructions to report a bill;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bonnell, the report of the committee was adopted.

Mr. Van Boskerck offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will meet again to-morrow morning at nine o'clock:

Which was read and adopted.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of the morning, being the bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others in the erection, or alteration and repairs of buildings in the city of Newark;"

Which was further read and amended.

And the question being upon ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Bonnell, the vote upon the engrossment of said bill was reconsidered, when

On motion of Mr. N. Smith, the further consideration of said bill was postponed for the present.

On motion of Mr. Green,

Ordered, That the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates, to regulate the jurisdiction of the prerogative court, and to establish an orphans' court in the several counties of this state,"

Be made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

The House adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 4.

At nine o'clock the House met.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying an alteration in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Winter also presented three petitions from citizens of

Warren county, praying an act of incorporation for a bank, to be located at Phillipsburgh, in the county of Warren;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom was referred the petition of Ann Wilson, for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Ann Wilson, of the county of Mercer, from her husband, John Wilson;

Which was read and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred numerous petitions, praying alterations in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds;"

Which was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Cory offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be appropriated to each member of the present legislature to defray the expenses of their postage;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Green, the printing of the bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Robert Thomas, of the county of Mercer,"

Was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others in the erection, or alteration and repairs of buildings in the city of Newark,"

Was taken up, considered, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bonnell offered the following:

Resolved, When this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on Monday afternoon, at three o'clock;

Which was read and adopted.

On motion, the House adjourned.

MONDAY, February 6.

At three o'clock the House met.

A quorum not appearing, the House adjourned till to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

TUESDAY, February 7.

At ten o'clock the House met.

A quorum not appearing present, the House adjourned to to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

A quorum not appearing present, the House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 8.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum presented two petitions from citizens of the township of Union, in the county of Essex, praying a law providing that at the future town meetings in said township, the voting shall be by ballot;

Which were read, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Burlington, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from the president and directors of the Belvidere Delaware Bridge Company, praying for a law to authorize the said company to borrow money;

Which was read, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. Winter, Reynolds and Mattison.

Mr. Ridgway presented a petition from citizens of Burlington county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Brown presented five petitions from citizens of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, praying that the law compelling the inhabitants of said township to vote by ballot, at their annual town meetings, may be repealed;

Which were read, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Bonnell presented a petition from citizens of this state, praying a law to correct, revise and reduce the costs in our several courts, growing out of the administration of justice; and also, to reduce the perquisites and salaries allowed to judges and other public functionaries;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Green presented a petition from a number of the colored citizens of Mercer county, praying that the rights of suffrage may be extended to the free people of color of this state;

Which was referred to the committee on elections without reading.

Mr. Baker presented two petitions from citizens of Mercer county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly, that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have also passed the bills from the Assembly entitled,

"An act supplementary to the several acts relating to the partition of real estate;" and

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for the punishment of crimes, passed the 17th day of February, 1829;" and

"An act to perfect the partition of certain real estate whereof Philip Hendrickson died seized;"

Severally without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Allen presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the townships of Woolwich and Greenwich, in the county of Gloucester, praying on act to set off from said townships a new township, to be called the township of Harrison;

Which was read, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Allen, Butcher, Harrison, Brinly and Baker.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning sheriffs, passed the 18th March, 1796;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom was referred sundry petitions for the extension of the lien law, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, 'an act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building, within the limits therein named;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the petition of the admininistrators and heirs of James Stoy, deceased, praying for a law to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of James Stoy, deceased, to convey real estate;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the petition of Sarah Tomlinson for a divorce, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sarah Tomlinson, from her husband, David B. Tomlinson;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Mount, from the committee to whom had been referred the petition praying the repeal of all laws regulating the fisheries in the river Delaware, reported, by order of the majority of said committee, against the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration thereof.

Mr. Paterson called up the resolution offered by him some days since, as follows:

Resolved, That a select committee of three be appointed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Governor to ascertain, through the agent of the state of New York, at present in England, procuring copies of documents referring to the early history of that state, what is the character and extent, and what would be the probable cost, of obtaining copies of similar documents in the English archieves referring to New Jersey;

Which was read and adopted, and Messrs. Patterson, Clark and Willets appointed said committee.

Mr. Irons, in pursuance of notice, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"An act to enable the townships of Dover, Middletown and Howell, in the county of Monmouth, to sell and convey certain real estate therein named;"

Which was read by its title and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee on ways and means, to whom had been referred the resolution of inquiry respecting the provision for the indigent blind, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this state, passed March 8th, 1836;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Congar, so much of the rules of the House as require that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, was dispensed with, to take up the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named;"

Which was taken up, the reading progressed in, when

On motion of Mr. N. Smith, the further consideration thereof was postponed till this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Green, the rule providing that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, was again dispensed with, to take up the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates, to regulate the jurisdiction of the prerogative court, and to establish an orphans' court in the several counties of this state,"

Which was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green, the same rule was again suspended, to take up the public bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed 16th March, 1798;"

Which was read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Cook, the further consideration thereof was postponed until this afternoon.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cory presented a petition from citizens of Cumberland county, praying the revision of the constitution of this state;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Warne presented a petition from the president and directors of the Reiglesville Delaware Bridge Company, praying for a supplement to their act of incorporation;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Whitney presented a memorial from citizens of the townships of Woolwich and Greenwich, in the county of Gloucester, remonstrating against the application for setting off a new township from said townships of Woolwich and Greenwich;

Which was referred to the committee on that subject without reading.

Mr. French presented the petition of the children of Jacob Kay, of the county of Gloucester, praying a law to confirm the division of certain real estate, late of said Jacob Kay, deceased;

Which was read, and referred to a special committee, consisting of Messrs. French, Irons and Richards.

Mr. French presented another petition from the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, and Josiah Kay, one of the children and legatees of said Jacob Kay, praying a law to authorize said executors to pay the distributive share of the residue of the personal estate to said Josiah Kay;

Which was read, and referred to the select committee just raised upon a similar petition.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was recommitted the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the stockholders of the mechanics' and manufacturers' bank, at Trenton, to reduce their capital stock,"

Reported the same to the House with amendments.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed February 24th, 1806,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Brinly,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Kline,	Srope,
Clark,	Lum,	Stephens,
Congar,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Willets,
Field,	Ridgway,	Winter—41.
Freneh,	Robins,	

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Being the unfinished business of the morning, was taken up, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed the 16th March, 1796,"

Being the unfinished business of the morning, was taken up, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed 24th of February, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed.

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rockaway manufacturing company,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jefferson beneficial society of the county of Salem, New Jersey, passed the 11th day of March, 1842,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act relative to bridges in the county of Cumberland,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy, and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act authorizing the enclosure of a certain tract of land, situated in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called the 'Hetfield' swamp, passed the 28th day of January, 1829,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 9.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to provide for the holding of a state convention to revise the constitution of the state;

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary without reading.

Mr. Wildrick also presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying sundry alterations in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Wildrick presented another petition of the same import, from citizens of Warren county;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed a preamble, and the following resolution:

Resolved by the Council, (the House of Assembly concurring,) That his excellency, the Governor of this state, be, and he is hereby authorized, and respectfully requested, to open an official correspondence with his excellency, the Governor of the state of Virginia, urging upon him the propriety of having the law complained of so modified as to exempt vessels owned by citizens of this state, and trading to the state of Virginia, from the operations of said law; and that he use his influence with the legislature of that state to adopt such modification;

To which resolution the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have also passed the bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Huldah Ann Dawson from her husband, George Dawson;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

And the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson,"

With sundry amendments.

To which amendments the concurrence of the Assembly is requested.

Mr. Satterthwait presented a petition from the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, New Jersey, praying for an act to incorporate said society;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Satterthwait presented a petition, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Snowdon presented a petition from Henry B. Ramsey, executor of the last will and testament of Joseph Hedger, deceased, and others, praying for a law to confirm the last will and testament of the said Joseph Hedger, deceased;

Which was read, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Snowdon, Patterson and Bonnell.

Mr. Winter presented a petition from one hundred and twelve citizens of Warren county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from the trustees of the "Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery," praying for a law to enable said company to purchase more territory;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from John Beam, a soldier in the revolutionary war, praying for a pension;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on claims and pensions.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce Huldah Ann Dawson from her husband, George Dawson,"

Was taken up, read a first time, and ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on divorces.

Mr. French, from the select committee, to whom had been referred the petition of Joseph Kay and others, praying a law to confirm the division of certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the division of the real estate of Jacob Kay, deceased;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred sundry petitions, praying for an alteration in the law relative to roads, presented the following report:

The committee, to whom was referred sundry petitions from Monmouth, and other counties, praying for an alteration in the law relative to roads, report that the alteration prayed for is inexpedient: They therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Winter, from the special committee, to whom was referred the petition of the president and directors of the Belvidere Delaware Bridge Company, praying for a supplement to their charter, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware Bridge Company, passed March 5th, 1832;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. French, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition of Job B. Kay, Briggs Kay, Thomas Evans, and Josiah Kay, praying for a law to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money to Josiah Kay;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Snowdon, from the committee to whom had been referred the petition on the subject of horse racing, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to prevent horse racing, passed the 5th day of March, 1835;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means to whom was referred the application for the purchase of the stock held by the state in the "Milford and Owego Turnpike Company," offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to sell and transfer the stock owned by

this state in the Milford and Owego Turnpike Company, in the state of Pennsylvania, upon the most favorable terms that can be obtained; and also, that he be directed to take the necessary measures for collecting any dividends or profits that may have been declared by the said company upon the stock so owned by this state:

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have adopted said resolution, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson,"

Was taken up, and the amendments made in Council read and agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed and have a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Baker,	Field,	Robins,
Baldwin,	Flomerfelt,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	French,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	Van Boskerck,
Butcher,	Kline,	Voorhees,
Clark,	Lum,	Ware,
Congar,	Maskell,	Warne,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cook,	Mount,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Winter,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Zabriskie—40.
Dawes,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Ridgway,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Harrison,	Ryerson,	Whitney,
Potter,	Snowdon,	Willets—11.
Richards,	Stephens,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act for suppressing vice and immorality, passed the 16th March, 1798,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Snowdon,
Conover,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Maskell,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Willets,
Field,	Satterthwait,	Winter,
Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—28.
French,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Mattison,	Srope,
Brown,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Clark,	Patterson,	Ware,
Congar,	Richards,	Warne,
Cook,	Ridgway,	Whitney—26.
Cory,	Robins,	

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Rockaway manufacturing company,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Lum,	Stephens,
Congar,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Deacon,	Richards,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
French,	Robins,	Willets,
Green,	Ryerson,	Winter—39.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Ware,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Wheaton—8.
Dawes,	Srope,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,
"An act relative to bridges in the county of Cumberland,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Baker,	Demarest,	Potter,
Baldwin,	Field,	Richards,
Bonnell,	French,	Ridgway,
Brown,	Green,	Robins,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,
Clark,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Congar,	Irons,	Schenck,
Conover,	Jacobus,	N. Smith,
Cook,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Cory,	Mattison,	Snowdon,
Cooper,	Mount,	Srope,

Messrs. Stephens,	Messrs. Wheaton,	Messrs. Willets,
Van Boskerck,	Whitney,	Winter,
Voorhees,	Wildrick,	Zabriskie—46.
Warne,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Maskell,	Mr. Flomerfelt—5.
Dawes,	Ware,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jefferson beneficial society of the county of Salem, New Jersey, passed the 11th day of March, 1842,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Schenck,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Kline,	Stephens,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cooper,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Richards,	Wildrick,
Field,	Robins,	Willets,
French,	Ryerson,	Winter—44.
Green,	Satterthwait,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Mr. Flomerfelt,	Mr. Srope—4.
Dawes,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to

Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act authorizing the enclosure of a certain tract of land, situated in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called the 'Hetfield' swamp, passed the 28th day of January, 1829,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole, Mr. N. Smith in the chair, upon the consideration of the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds,"

And after some time spent therein the committee rose, reported progress, and asked and obtained leave to sit again.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Essex county, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt may not be repealed or modified;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, praying for an act of incorporation, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, New Jersey;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the same committee, to whom had been recommitted the bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected or to be erected over the Passaic river,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act concerning divorces,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy, and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Srope,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cory,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Winter,
Field,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—25.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Irons,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Potter,	Ware,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Willets—26.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	

The House resolved into committee of the whole, Mr. N. Smith in the chair, upon the consideration of the unfinished business of the morning, being the bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

And after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and reported the bill to the House with an amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

Was taken up by the House, the amendments made in committee of the whole agreed to, when

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The bill entitled,

"An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Elizabeth L. M. Hossack and her husband, Alexander E. Hossack,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Robert Thomas, of the county of Mercer,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the House dispensed so much of the rules as require that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day and read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"An act to prevent unnecessary costs in criminal prosecutions;"

Which was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 10.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green presented a petition from the Mercer cemetery, praying for an act of incorporation for said company;
Which was referred to the committee on corporations without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented a petition from citizens of Warren county, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;
Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Butcher presented a petition from citizens of Cumberland county praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;
Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Wildrick presented two petitions from citizens of Warren county, praying for a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday:
Which were ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of Essex county, praying a law to provide for the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;
Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Snowdon, from the select committee, to whom was referred the petition praying for a law to confirm the will of Joseph Hedger, deceased, reported a bill entitled,
"An act to confirm the last will and testament of Joseph Hedger, deceased;"
Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred sundry petitions upon the subject of the revision of the constitution of the state, and also, the bill entitled "an act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state," and also the two bills from the list of unfinished

business, entitled "an act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state," presented the following report from the majority of said committee:

MAJORITY REPORT.

The majority of the committee, to whom was committed the bill entitled, "an act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state," also No. 6 and No. 29 of the unfinished business of the last General Assembly, each entitled "an act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state," and to whom were also referred sundry petitions of citizens of the state praying that the legislature "would at this session, provide by law for the holding of a state convention to frame a constitution to be submitted to the decision of the people," respectfully report:

That the bill entitled "an act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state," being No. 6 of unfinished business, which originated in the House of Assembly last year, provides for the choice, at the annual election in October, of delegates to a convention, for the purpose of making such alterations in the constitution as they may deem proper, to be submitted to the people at such time and in such manner as the convention may direct. The petitions presented to the House at its present session, with a single exception, ask for the enactment of a law of like character.

Number 29 of unfinished business, also entitled "an act to provide for the revision of the constitution of this state," originated in and was passed by Council last year. It provides for the appointment of twelve commissioners, six to be appointed by Council, and six to be appointed by the Assembly, to be commissioned by the Governor, with power to revise the constitution, and to submit it as revised and amended by them, to the people, for their adoption or rejection, at the annual election in October.

The bill entitled "an act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of the state," introduced by leave of the

House at its session in November last, authorizes and requests the people of the state at the annual election in October next, to express their opinion for or against a convention—a statement of the votes to be laid before Council by the Secretary of State, during the first week of their next ensuing session, who are to canvass, estimate, and decide the same, and to inform the House of Assembly of the result.

The committee concurred unanimously in reporting against the first two bills, and differed only in regard to the last.

The undersigned clearly recognize the inherent right of the people to alter or amend the constitution whenever the public good may require; and in the absence of any provision in the existing constitution for its amendment, they equally recognise the bounden duty of the legislature to provide for its amendment by the people, in consistency with law, good order, and the peace of society, whenever the public voice shall demand it. It were at war alike with the genius of our institutions, with the nature of our goverment and with the spirit of the people, to deny or even to obstruct the free exercise of the highest prerogative of self government, the right of altering or amending the fundamental laws of society. But while the right of the people to change their form of government, and the duty of the legislature to provide the manner of effecting this change, is thus clearly recognized, it appears to the undersigned equally clear, that it is likewise unwise and impolitic, for light and insufficient causes, to disturb the existing order of things, to subvert ancient institutions, to uproot confirmed habits and established opinions, to remove the ancient landmarks which our fathers have set, or even to render them insecure or unstable by constant agitation, or by anticipating the popular will by suggested or proposed changes. If stability in the laws regulating the mode of acquiring, enjoying, and transmitting property, be essential to public prosperity, it is infinitely more so in those great principles of government which form the basis upon which rest all the rights of persons and of property.

The questions which in the investigation of this subject, have pressed themselves peculiarly upon the consideration of the committee, have been:

1. Whether the enactment of the law in question is demanded by the voice of the people; and if not, then,

2. Whether there be any great practical evils resulting from the operation of the present constitution, which require that the legislature should anticipate the expression of the popular will, either by providing themselves (as is prayed by the petitioners,) for the call of a convention, or by directing an election to decide on the expediency of the measure.

The undersigned, after a careful and deliberate consideration of the subject, under the most anxious solicitude to discover and conform to the popular will, are constrained to express their decided conviction, that the evidence before them does not warrant the belief that the people of New Jersey desire either a change in their constitution, or an election to determine the expediency of the measure.

If an opinion is to be formed from the petitions before the committee, their conclusion must be directly the reverse. Out of the sixty-five thousand electors in the state, the whole number of petitioners falls short of two thousand, being less than one in thirty of the people entitled to vote, and not one-half so many as have petitioned the House at its present session, on a subject of ordinary legislation. Six hundred and seventy-six of the petitioners, more than one-third of the whole number, are from the county of Monmouth alone, and even there, where the deepest interest appears to have been manifested, the petitioners do not equal one-eighth of the legal voters of the county. If this county be excepted, the petitioners throughout the rest of the state do not number one in fifty of the constitutional electors. Out of eighteen counties, petitions have been received but from eight; and from four of these, but one petition has been received from each county, containing an average of less than one hundred and twenty signatures. From ten counties, containing nearly one hundred and eighty thousand inhabitants, not a solitary petition has been presented in favor of the measure. This subject has not been hastily acted upon, and it will scarcely be denied that a full opportunity has been afforded for the exercise of the right of petition. The matter was postponed from the last General Assembly to the present. It was introduced to the notice of the present legislature at its session in November last. It has been agitated by the public press; the people have been urged and stimulated to make known their wishes to their representatives. The committee have purposely delayed their action, that the fullest opportunity might be afforded for a free expression of the popular will. And when in addition to all this, the vital importance of the question to the prosperity, welfare and happiness of the people, is taken into account, the petitions themselves appear to the undersigned, to afford the strongest and most satisfactory evidence that the contemplated change is neither asked nor desired by the great mass of the people of the state.

The right of petition is one which the people of New Jersey cherish fondly, and exercise freely; and when upon a subject touching their dearest rights, they do not ask for a change, it seems not unreasonable to infer that they do not want it.

But it is not alone upon the petitions before the House, that the undersigned have based their opinion. They have turned to the primary assemblies of the people, and to the tone of the public press, as exponents of the popular will, and have looked in vain for any satisfactory evidence that the mass of the people desire the proposed measure. When the public mind is excited by a subject of deep and absorbing interest, and especially when among a free people great public rights are at stake, the popular voice will find utterance in tones that cannot be mistaken. Yet although it is alleged that the people of New Jersey are living under a constitution which leaves their most sacred privileges unprotected, and denies them the exercise of their dearest rights, the proceedings of no popular assembly have been laid before the House, nor have the committee been informed of a solitary public meeting on this subject, which indicated as deep an interest as is felt and manifested by the people upon the most ordinary occasion of public or political concern.

The history of the past is replete with instruction on this subject. As early as 1790, when the constitution had acquired no stability from popular attachment, and no sanctity from age, a resolution was introduced into the House of Assembly, to provide for the call of a convention to revise or amend it. After repeated discussions the measure failed, the committee having risen without entering into any resolution. Its failure was occasioned, as we are informed by a contemporary, "by a scramble about the senatorial appointments in Congress." The minority who advocated the measure, doubtless believed they were acting in accordance with the will of the people. Yet no expression of popular dissatisfaction or indignation followed its failure. On the contrary, when seven years afterwards, a proposition for referring the question of a revision of the constitution to a vote of the people, precisely similar to the one now urged before the committee, was introduced into the Assembly, it was rejected by the decided vote of 29 to 7. In that decision the people fully acquiesced.

In the year 1819, in obedience as was supposed to the requirements of the popular will, which it was believed demanded a change in the time of the meeting of the legislature, a proposition was submitted to the people, to alter the constitution in that one feature, by changing the day of meeting to the third Wednesday in January. The law directing the election passed the House of Assembly by a large majority. The proposed amendment was to become a part of the constitution, only in the event of receiving the votes of two-thirds of the electors in its favor. To the surprise of the authors and advocates of the

law, the proposed amendment was rejected by a majority of 11,000 votes, there being 1,636 votes in favor of the change, and 12,635 against it.

In truth, from the adoption of the constitution until this hour although admitted by its framers to be imperfect, although early assailed by party violence as a "fabric of government which was proved equally to disgrace and oppress its citizens," although the very objections now suggested have been urged and reiterated by the most vigorous minds, and eloquent voices in the commonwealth, it has been sustained and defended by the votes and voices of the people. Through the lapse of nearly three-quarters of a century, amid all the mutations of party, amid all the strife and violence of political feeling, in peace and in war, the people have adhered to the constitution of the 2d of July, 1776, with unshaken constancy and fidelity. They have successfully repelled every attempt at change or innovation. They have cherished it as a child of their own adoption; and have preserved and defended it against the eloquent attacks of the learned and the fierce assaults of factious violence.

Whether, therefore, the undersigned look to the past or the present, they see no room to doubt the attachment and fidelity of the great mass of the people to the constitution as it is, and as it was framed by their fathers. That many citizens of the state desire certain amendments in the constitution, cannot be doubted; but that any considerable portion of the people desire, or would consent to the destruction of the entire fabric of their government, that another may be erected on its ruins, upon the evidence before the committee, may be confidently denied. For more than half a century, this question has been from time to time considered by the legislature. It has been discussed in public conventions. Learned jurists and constitutional lawyers have pronounced the constitution theoretically defective. The public press has teemed with essays exposing its defects and urging their amendment; yet the people appear to have remained steadfast in their devotion to the form of government which they have adopted. It appears utterly incredible that a change should have been desired by the people, when it is apparent that the power is in their own hands, and that they have adopted no measure to effect it. It appears evident to the undersigned, that the agitation of this subject in times past, has been the work of public men rather than of private citizens, of politicians rather than of the people. How the fact may be at present, is respectfully submitted to the judgment of the House.

On a careful examination of the petitions from the county of

Mercer, numbering two hundred and ninety-two petitioners, only *seven* so far as can be ascertained, reside in the country; and not all of these are farmers. The others are all inhabitants of Princeton, Trenton and South Trenton. The fact is adverted of the for the purpose of derogating from the high respectability of the petitioners, or from the weight to which their opinions are entitled; but simply in confirmation of the fact, that among the farmers of the state who compose the great body of the people, no interest is manifested in the agitation of this question.

But the question still remains whether there are practical evils resulting from the operation of the constitution which call for a remedy, and which demand legislative interference in advance of the expressed will of the people? It is worthy of remark that the petitioners do not complain of rights violated or wrongs endured. The complaint is that the constitution was adopted as a temporary expedient, and that as a mode of government it is in theory defective.

If there be any truth taught in the history of American legislation, it is that that form and model of government is most wise, not which is most perfect in theory, but which in its practical operation conduces most to the peace, security, and happiness of the community. The striking differences exising between the constitution and laws of the different states of the Union, demonstrate that no model of government can be devised, and no system of laws adopted, which will command universal approbation. The people do not want a constitution cast in any mould of ideal perfection, but a constitution adapted to their peculiar condition, habits and feelings. It is admitted that the constitution of New Jersey is an imperfect model of government. It was so admitted by its framers. It has been so pronounced by constitutional lawyers and learned jurists. But the important inquiry is, what is its practical operation. Has it answered the ends for which it was adopted?

One of the principal defects urged by the petitioners is, that the constitution "vests in the governor the three great departments of government, the legislative, the judicial, and the executive;" thus conferring powers too great and varied to be safely trusted to the same hands. In point of fact, it is believed that the governor of New Jersey has less power than is conferred by the constitution of any other state upon its executive. He has no veto power upon the acts of the legislature. He has not even a vote upon the final passage of any law. He has no official patronage. His power over appointments is merely nominal. The pardoning power which is usually confided to the executive, he can exercise only in conjunction with

Council. He is moreover elected annually, which renders him peculiarly dependent on the popular will. The union of the offices of governor and chancellor, and the annual election of the latter officer, has been deprecated as an evil which threatened the most disastrous consequences. It has been apprehended that the office would continually change hands, and that the court would consequently lack stability; that its decisions would be vacillating and contradictory; that competent men could not be induced to accept the office; and that the tribunal itself would lose the confidence of the people, and sink into merited contempt. Such have been the fears of the friends of the constitution, and the confident predictions of its opponents. Yet during the seventy-six years which have elapsed since the formation of the government, there have been but fourteen chancellors; six of these held office during fifty-seven years, an average of nearly ten years each. The office has commanded the most distinguished talent in the state. It has been filled by men, without distinction of party, eminently qualified for the station; by men in whom the state have just cause of pride and confidence. The decisions of the court have commanded the respect alike of the bar and of the people. But few of its decrees are appealed from, and still fewer are reversed. From an inspection of the records of the Court of Appeals it appears that during the last five years, but seventeen appeals have been taken from decrees in Chancery, not one of which has been reversed. During the last twenty-five years the business of the court has increased more rapidly than that of any other tribunal in the state; evincing the confidence that is entertained in the purity and promptness of its administration of justice. These facts clearly demonstrate that the evils which were anticipated from this defect in the constitution have not been fully realized; and however desirable it may be that more permanency should be given to the office of chancellor, it can scarcely be anticipated, at a time when retrenchment in all the expenses of government is loudly demanded, that the people will consent to increase the burthens of taxation by the creation of another salaried office.

It is further urged that the constitution does not sufficently define or restrict the powers of the legislature, but leaves the sovereignty of the people open to the usurpations of a body of men subject to no responsibility. But admitting the theoretical defect, has any evil resulted from this laxity of restraint. Have the legislature in fact usurped the sovereignty, or trampled upon the rights of the people; are they not entirely dependent on the popular will; is not their political existence suspended upon that will; and if it be contemned or violated,

nay, if in the slightest degree disregarded, is not the remedy at hand; has not the practical evil rather been that legislators fearful of contravening the popular will, and too jealous of their personal popularity, have failed to act out their own convictions of duty fearlessly and honestly?

But it is charged as a further defect in the constitution that it contains no bill of rights for the security of the citizen. Let it be observed that it is not charged that the rights of the citizen have been violated, but that his natural inherent rights are not specified and enumerated in the constitution. This objection might have been urged with much apparent force at the time the constitution was adopted. When a violent struggle was in progress between popular rights and arbitrary power; when the people were about to reject the yoke of kingly authority, and to start in their career of independence; when the *right* of the people to self government was disputed, and their *power* of self government an untried experiment, it might have been demanded of the framers of the constitution that they should have plainly declared what were the rights of the people. But of what avail at this day to declare in the ears of the people of New Jersey, that all men are born free and equal; that all power is inherent in the people: that all men have a natural and inalienable right to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences; that the people have at all times a right to assemble peaceably and consult for the public good; that no tax can be imposed without the consent of the people or their representatives. Are not these and rights like these the inalienable birthright of every Jerseyman now? Have they ever been, or can they be questioned on Jersey soil? Would they be rendered more sacred or more secure by being made a part of a paper constitution? Are they not written now in the hearts and in the affections of the people; and can they be obliterated until the spirit of freedom is extinguished?

Other objections might be adverted to; but we forbear. Our purpose has been to show, that the theoretical defects alleged to exist in the constitution, do not produce in practice, the evil results which might be anticipated. Where, it may be fearlessly asked, has public faith been preserved more inviolate, or private rights more secure, than in our beloved state, under her present constitution? Where have the laws been more rigidly or faithfully enforced? Where has justice been more impartially or uprightly administered? With which of our sister states at this hour, are Jerseymen willing to exchange constitutions, with all their boasted alterations and amendments? It is now the oldest constitution in America; the oldest free charter in the world emanating from the will of the people. It bears

date prior to the Declaration of Independence. It is a living, speaking record of the early and prompt action of New Jersey in behalf of American liberty; a proud monument of her bold and fearless stand in the cause of freedom and of man. It has been tested by nearly seventy years of experiment, and under it the people have prospered, secure in the enjoyment of their liberty and their rights; and shall it be sacrificed for mere theoretical defects? Is it wise, or rational, even to propose the destruction of an edifice which has afforded perfect security and protection, purely because it lacks architectural beauty or proportion.

The undersigned make these suggestions with entire deference to the views of the petitioners, and with no design to bring individual opinions in conflict with the expressed will of their constituents. Could they see any substantial evidence that a majority of the people desire a change, they would cheerfully concur in adopting measures to effect it. But why incur the labor and expense of framing a new constitution—or the expense and agitation of an election, without satisfactory evidence that the mass of the people desire a change? Why shall the legislature in advance of the expressed wishes of the people, adopt a measure, which may prove in the highest degree unsatisfactory, if not alarming to the quiet people of the state?

But it is urged that one of the bills under consideration, proposes merely to submit the question whether a convention shall be called, to the decision of the people. It might be a sufficient answer to this proposition to say that not a single petition has been heard in its favor. The petitioners ask that the legislature should at its present session provide by law for holding a convention. If the House is satisfied that an alteration in the constitution is called for, why not at once grant the prayer of the petitioners, and authorize an election for delegates to a convention? There must at any rate be two elections before any change in the constitution can be effected through a convention. Why subject the people to the expense of a third election.

But there are in the minds of the undersigned, insuperable objections to the frame of the bill. It directs that the question whether the constitution shall be altered, shall be decided on the day of the annual election, and that the vote upon this question shall be given upon the same ticket which the elector casts for members of the Assembly. Can any plan be devised more effectually to secure the introduction of party politics into this important question? The day designed is the day fixed by law for the election of members of Congress—a day always

characterized by active party strife. It will be recollected too, that it is the first election to be held under the present district law. It appears to the undersigned, that the question whether the constitution shall be altered, should be decided at a time, and under circumstances as far removed as possible from the conflicts of party; that it should be decided upon its merits, calmly, dispassionately, and free from party bias; and that it would be far better and safer for the people to submit to the expense and inconvenience of a special election, than to incur the hazard of having the question decided under the influence of party politics.

Impressed with these views, and with the gratifying reflection, that if they have mistaken the wishes of their constituents, the error is not without remedy, the undersigned respectfully offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House, an amendment of the constitution is not demanded by the people; that the legislation prayed for by the petitioners, is at this time inexpedient; and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All which is most respectfully submitted.

HENRY W. GREEN.
JOSEPH SATTERTHWAIT.
PETER KLINE.

Dated February 8, 1843.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table

Mr. Patterson, from the same committee, presented the following minority report:

MINORITY REPORT.

The undersigned, the minority of the committee to which was referred the bill entitled "an act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state," entertaining different views from the majority of the committee, as to the

expediency of reporting said bill, respectfully ask leave to present the following report:

The minority had hoped that the committee would unanimously have united in reporting the bill back to the House for its consideration, and they exceedingly regret that the committee were not able to unite in opinion as to the propriety and expediency of that report, more especially, as the object proposed by the bill, is simply to refer the question directly to the people for determination, leaving to their judgment to decide, whether a convention should be called to amend the acknowledged defects of the existing constitution of this state, or whether that instrument, with all its imperfections, should still remain to be tampered with by legislative enactments, or frittered away by legislative interpretation. The bill confers no authority beyond that power of calling or rejecting a popular convocation, and its passage can be neither a source of expense or inconvenience. It is a matter which the minority believe can be safely and properly submitted to the people at large for their decision, and the well known integrity and honesty of the great mass of our citizens, will be a secure guarantee that the confidence reposed in them will not be misplaced or abused. It is but right and proper that the people, who constitute the source of all power, should have an opportunity of expressing their sentiments on a question of so much importance to their welfare and happiness; and their representatives here may well pause and reflect before they refuse to allow that privilege to their superiors. The petitions which have been presented to this body during the present session, signed and signed numerously as those memorials are, by men of all classes, conditions and parties, clearly demonstrate that there is a great and growing desire for legislative action on this subject. These incipient but significant expressions of popular will should not be disregarded; and the time may not be far distant, when those who are called to succeed us here, will find it impossible to resist the repeated and reiterated calls which will come up from every quarter of the state. It is idle to say or to suppose that there is no feeling among the people on this matter. They look with deep interest to the proceedings of this legislature, and every newspaper which is published spreads abroad some fresh indication of what is expected at our hands. Such a course, in the opinion of the minority, ought to be pursued as will tend to allay the excitement and satisfy the public mind; and they believe that if the bill referred to the committee, of which they are a part, had been unanimously reported, and the whole matter been calmly discussed by this House, such an effect would have been produced. The majority of the com-

mittee, for reasons which have been assigned, and in which the minority do not concur, have thought it inexpedient and unnecessary to take any action whatever, and, by reporting against the bill, have, consequently, regarded it as impolitic to grant the prayer of the petitioners. The minority insist that the application of the memorialists, who ask for nothing further than is contained in the provisions of the bill, is reasonable and just, and can conceive of no injury which can arise from complying with their respectful requests. The people in their original, sovereign, and unlimited capacity, can then, as they of right ought, decide as they think proper; and if they should see fit, as they have heretofore done, for reasons satisfactory to the majority, to reject the proposition, the state will still remain under the old form of government. In such a decision, so made, the minority would cheerfully and satisfactorily acquiesce.

The passage of this bill then can be attended with no inconvenience, trouble, or expense. But an objection has been alleged against its adoption—that as the election is provided to be held on the same days as that for state officers, party feeling would have too much influence and too much control over the minds of the people, and that motive would cause many, on the spur of the moment and in the heat of excitement, to vote contrary to what cooler reason and more deliberate reflection might dictate. In answer to this, the undersigned would say, that so far in their opinion from this being the result, it would be attended with a very different effect; for they believe that no inducements or intriguing could ever prevail upon the intelligent and well meaning portion of our citizens, to sacrifice, on a question of such vital and important interest to their future welfare, their honest and independent opinions on the altar of party preferences. The undersigned cannot suppose that the people of New Jersey would suffer the paltry motives of party to overcome those other and higher considerations, which duty and patriotism would inculcate; and they cannot but think that the general discussion of the principle it contains, which the passage of a bill of this nature would produce, and the probable effect which the calling of a convention might exert, either for good or evil, upon the character of our institutions, would have a beneficial tendency in breaking down the destructive lines of party, and softening the asperity of those feelings which political strife is but too apt to engender.

In reporting this bill, the minority wish to see the question fairly and impartially discussed upon its merits, and by those merits to stand or fall. If, after a careful and candid examination of its claims, untinctured by party feeling or political prejudice, regarding only the probable effect the passage of this

bill might exert upon the destiny and prosperity of the state, the peace, tranquility and happiness of its citizens, and the security of their persons and the protection of their property, this House should feel unwilling and unprepared to pass an act of this nature, the people will at least have the satisfaction of knowing that their prayers and their petitions have received a deliberate, though unfavorable consideration, at the hands of their representatives, and not been treated with neglect. But the undersigned would most earnestly deprecate the idea that the success or rejection of this bill should be made a party measure, and narrowed down to that selfish doctrine of expediency which is too apt to control the feelings and limit the patriotism of politicians. For themselves, they can freely and conscientiously say that they have been influenced neither by party hopes nor deterred by party fears, in the course of conduct which a sense of duty to themselves and of justice to those for whom they act, has impelled them to pursue. And they are in favor of the expediency of reporting, and also of the passage of this bill, because they believe that it will be in accordance with the public desire and expectation, that the people are anxiously awaiting legislative movement, not of a negative and nugatory but of a positive character, that the manifestations of popular opinion throughout the state, as expressed by the petitions now before this House, and the general voice of the public press, indicate a strong feeling and increasing excitement in the minds of our citizens on this subject, and that it best becomes this legislature to take such measures and adopt such means as will give universal satisfaction, and allay the agitation. They may be mistaken, but they do most respectfully and firmly insist that the report made by the majority of the committee, whom they are willing to admit have been actuated by honest and sincere motives, is not what the people either ask for or expect, and so far from softening or soothing down, will, in the opinion of the minority, only tend to deepen the excitement.

The undersigned do not intend in this report, to set forth the defects and imperfections which they conceive exist in the present constitution, though those infirmities might well and strongly be urged as arguments in favor of the necessity of reporting this bill. That it is an instrument incomplete in itself, and unguarded by sufficient checks and balances, is universally admitted; and it is equally indisputable that in many of its leading features it needs a thorough and careful revision, if not to be entirely remodeled. It is true, notwithstanding those defects, that the people of New Jersey have lived long and happily under its protection, secure in their persons, their

property, and their possessions; but we should not attribute the effect produced by virtuous dispositions and orderly habits to the merits of the constitution, for we must remember that society is a very different thing from government, and may even exist without it. But the undersigned will not enter into any argument to prove that which is sufficiently manifest already; whether the evils of the constitution are or are not to be remedied, is a question which they wish and think ought to be referred to the people, the source of all power, for decision; and for that reason, in connection with others hereinbefore assigned, respectfully ask leave to report the accompanying bill for the consideration of the House, being the same, with a verbal amendment, which was heretofore referred to the committee of which they are the minority.

WILLIAM PATERSON.
DAVID HYNARD.

AN ACT to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the Constitution of this state.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That, in order to obtain the sense of the people of this state in reference to the propriety of calling a convention of delegates, for the purpose of revising or amending the constitution of this state, the several persons of this state qualified to vote for members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, in the several counties of this state, are hereby empowered and requested to express their opinion for or against the same, by inserting, on their respective tickets voted at the next annual election for members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly, the word "Convention," or the words "No Convention," as they may think fit, which words may be either written or printed, or partly written and partly printed.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the votes so given for "Convention" or "No Convention," as aforesaid, shall be received and counted off by the officers of election in the several townships of this state, and returned to the several boards of county canvassers, in their respective counties, in the

same manner as the votes for members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly are required to be received, counted off, and retured by the act entitled "an act to regulate elections," passed March twelfth, A. D., eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the several boards of county canvassers, at the meeting directed to be held by the sixty-fifth section of the act to regulate elections, to proceed to make two statements, which said statements shall contain the whole number of votes given for or against such convention, the name of each township, and the number of votes given in each township for and against a convention; and each such statements shall be certified to be true and correct, by a certificate which shall be appended to the same; and the chairman of such board shall sign his name thereto, with his own hand, in the presence of the clerk of such board; and the said clerk shall attest the signing of the same by such chairman, by signing his name thereto with his own hand.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That such board shall deliver one of the statements, so made and certified, to the clerk of the county, who shall file such statement in his office; and the chairman of such board shall enclose and seal up the other thereof, and deliver or safely transmit the same so enclosed and sealed up, to the secretary of this state, so that the said secretary may receive the same within ten days next after the meeting of such board; and the said secretary of state, on receiving such statement, shall forthwith file the same in his office as an official paper.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said secretary of state, to produce and lay before the Legislative Council, during the first week of the next annual meeting of the legislature of this state, all such statements as he shall have received from the several boards of county canvassers; which said Legislative Council shall canvass, estimate, and determine the number of votes that shall have been given in the several counties in this state for or against such convention, and immediately thereafter, by message, inform the House of Assembly of the result.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Congar,

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the said majority and minority reports be printed for the use of the House, and that the consideration of the said reports be made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Congar, from the committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to lunatics and an asylum for their reception, presented the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the treasurer of this state be and he is hereby directed to invest the moneys received by him, as agent of this state, from the General Government, under the act of Congress for distributing the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, together with any moneys he may receive from the same source during the present fiscal year, in six per cent. stock of the United States at not more than par value, and the said moneys and stock purchased therewith with the interest accruing thereon, are pledged and set apart as a fund towards the erection and support of a state lunatic asylum for the benefit of the lunatics and insane poor of this state;

Which was read, ordered to have a second reading, and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Richards, from the committee on education, reported a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

The rule requiring one day's notice to be given of intention to ask leave to introduce a bill, was dispensed with, and Mr. Maskell asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the settlement and relief of the poor, passed March 11th, 1774;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Irons moved a reconsideration of the vote of the House on the final passage of the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy, and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784;"

Which was not agreed to.

The re-engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divide the township of Bergen, in the county of Hudson,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made by Council therein, and have ordered said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce James P. Barlow from his wife Maria L. Barlow,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Srope,
Clark,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Conover,	Ridgway,	Warne,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Wheaton—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Harrison,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Field,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Winter,
French,	Robins,	Zabriskie—29.
Green,	Ryerson,	

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to prevent unnecessary costs in criminal prosecutions;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Kline,	Srope,
Congar,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Conover,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Ware,
Dawes,	Richards,	Warne,
Deacon,	Ridgway,	Wheaton,
Field,	Robins,	Wildrick,
French,	Ryerson,	Willets—42.

NAYS.

Mr. Baker,	Mr. Mount,	Mr. Flomerfelt—3.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

Was taken up and read, and the first section being under consideration, as follows:

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the writ of capias ad respondendum shall not henceforth be awarded or issued in any action founded upon contract express or implied, except upon the oath or affirmation of the plaintiff, or upon other proof, establishing to the satisfaction of a justice of the supreme court, in causes instituted in the supreme or circuit court, or to the satisfaction of a judge of any court of common pleas in this state, in causes instituted in the court of common pleas, that there is a debt or demand founded upon contract express or implied, due to the plaintiff from the defendant, specifying the nature of said debt or demand, and the amount thereof as near as may be, and also, one or more of the following particulars:

First. That the defendant is about to remove his property, or any part thereof, out of the jurisdiction of the court in which

such action is about to be commenced, with intent to defraud his creditors; or

Second, That the defendant has property or rights in action which he fraudulently conceals; or

Third, That he has assigned, removed, or disposed of, or is about to assign, remove, or dispose of, any other of his property, with intent to defraud his creditors; or

Fourth, That the cause of action arose within, or that the plaintiff is a resident of the state of New Jersey, and that the defendant resides out of the state or is about to remove out of the same;

And it shall thereupon be the duty of the justice or judge, before whom such proof as aforesaid shall have been made or offered, to make an order to hold the defendant to bail in such sum as shall be proved as aforesaid to be due to the plaintiff from the defendant; and upon such order being made, a capias ad respondendum may be issued as heretofore, and before the passage of the act entitled, "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt," passed the 9th day of March, 1842.

Mr. Congar moved to amend by striking out the fourth subdivision of said section, and the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Dawes,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,
Clark,	Hynard,	Ware,
Congar,	Patterson,	Wheaton—12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Srope,
Bonnell,	Lum,	Stephens,
Conover,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Potter,	Warne,
Demarest,	Richards,	Whitney,
Field,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
French,	Robins,	Willets,
Green,	Ryerson,	Winter,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—41.
Harrison,	Schenck,	

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green, the said fourth subdivision was amended, by striking out in the first line after the word "that" the words, "the cause of action arose within, or that."

Mr. Congar moved to amend the said fourth subdivision of this section, by inserting after the word "that" in the first line the words, "the cause of action arose within and that" so as to make said subdivision read as follows:

Fourth, That the cause of action arose within, and that the plaintiff is a resident of the state of New Jersey, and that the defendant resides out of the said state, or is about to remove out of the same;

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Dawes,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	Van Boskerck,
Clark,	Hynard,	Ware,
Congar,	Patterson,	Wheaton—12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Irons,	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Srope,
Conover,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cook,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Demarest,	Potter,	Whitney,
Field,	Richards,	Wildrick,
French,	Ridgway,	Willets,
Green,	Robins,	Winter—38.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The first section being still under consideration, Mr. Congar moved to strike out after the word "except," the words, "upon the oath or affirmation of the plaintiff or upon other proof," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "upon due proof made upon oath or affirmation on the part of the plaintiff or plaintiffs;"

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Congar,	Messrs. Patterson,	Mr. Wheaton—5.
Flomerfelt,	Ware,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Baker,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Srope,
Butcher,	Lum,	Stephens,
Conover,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Demarest,	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Field,	Robins,	Wildrick,
French,	Ryerson,	Willets,
Green,	Satterthwait,	Winter,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,	Zabriskie—42.

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the Assembly entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Carter, of the county of Atlantic,"

Without amendment.

Council have also passed the bill entitled,

"An act for the better regulation of the Amicable meadow company, in the county of Salem;"

To which bill the assent of the Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act for the better regulation of the amicable meadow company, in the county of Salem,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Whitney presented a preamble and resolutions from a special town meeting, held in the township of Greenwich, protesting against the division of said township.

Mr. Whitney also presented a memorial signed by John B. Miller, John Gaunt, Isaac Hinchman, and Charles Reeves, delegates appointed at said special town meeting, protesting against the application for the division of said township.

Mr. Whitney also presented a remonstance on the same subject from four hundred and twenty-seven citizens of Greenwich township;

Which were severally read and referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was referred the petitions from the townships of New Barbadoes and Washington, in the county of Bergen, praying for an alteration in the division line between said townships, reported that it was inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Van Boskerck asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers pertaining to the application of James P. Barlow for a divorce; and also, the papers pertaining to the application of the common council of Jersey City for an alteration in their charter.

Mr. Winter asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application of John Higgins for a divorce.

Mr. French offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be requested to report upon the resolution presented by Mr. Allen from Gloucester, instructing the committee aforesaid to report a bill authorizing the collectors of the several townships to collect tax warrants;

Which was read and adopted.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for

incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784;"

Was taken up, and recommitted to the select committee upon that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of Robert Thomas, of the county of Mercer,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of the morning, being the bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds;"

And the first section being still under consideration, Mr. Congar moved to strike out all of said section, and insert the following:

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That no person shall hereafter be arrested or imprisoned on any civil process issuing out of any court of law or of equity in this state in any action of debt, or other action, founded upon contract express or implied, or in any suit or proceeding for the recovery of money for the non performance of any contract express or implied.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Warne,
Congar,	Irons,	Wheaton—8.
Cory,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs Cook,	Messrs. Green,
Baker,	Cooper,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Baldwin,	Dawes,	Harrison,
Brinly,	Deacon,	Jacobus,
Brown,	Flomerfelt,	Kline,
Clark,	Freach,	Lum,

Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Ryerson,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Mount,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Oliphant,	Schenck,	Warne,
Potter,	S. C. Smith,	Whitney,
Reynolds,	Snowdon,	Wildrick,
Richards,	Srope,	Willets,
Ridgway,	Stephens,	Winter—41.
Robins,	Van Boskerck,	

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar moved to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

"That no person shall hereafter be arrested or imprisoned on any civil process issuing out of any court of law or equity in this state in action of debt, or other action, upon contract, express or implied, or in any suit or proceeding for the recovery of money for the non performance of any contract, express or implied.

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the provisions of the preceding section shall not extend to proceedings as for contempts to enforce civil remedies, nor to actions on promises to marry, or for the recovery of moneys collected by any public officer, or for any misconduct or neglect in office.

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That whenever any execution issued out of any court of law or of equity in this state shall be returned unsatisfied in whole or in part, it shall be the duty of the said court, upon the application of the plaintiff in execution, to issue an attachment against the rights and credits of the party against whom the execution so returned was issued, which shall be of the same force and effect as a writ of attachment against a non resident debtor, and shall bind the said rights and credits in like manner as such writ of attachment would do, and the plaintiff in attachment may proceed in his own name for the recovery of such rights or credits, and the proceedings thereupon shall be conducted in all respects in the manner prescribed by the act entitled "an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors," passed the eighth day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That there shall be reserved hereafter to every person not having a family, the following property, when owned by him, viz:

1st. All wearing apparel necessary for the use of such person;

2d. Farming utensils, implements of husbandry, and the necessary tools of a mechanic or tradesman, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

And to every person having a family,

1st. All wearing apparel necessary for the use of such person and his family;

2. One cow, one hog, the necessary food for them, all necessary pork, beef, fish, flour, and vegetables, actually provided for family use, and necessary fuel for the use of the family for sixty days;

3d. Farming utensils, implements of husbandry, and the necessary tools of a mechanic or tradesman, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

4th. All necessary beds, bedsteads and bedding for such person and his family, necessary cooking utensils, and in addition thereto, other household furniture, not exceeding in value one hundred dollars;

5th. The family bible, school books, and other books, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

6th. A seat or pew occupied by such person, or his family, in any house or place of public worship;

7th. A burial lot, not exceeding twenty feet square, in any public cemetery or burial ground;

Which property shall not be liable to be seized or taken by virtue of any process issued out of any court of law or equity in this state, in actions of debt or other actions founded upon contract, express or implied: provided always, that nothing contained in this section shall exempt any particular article or thing from being levied upon, taken or seized, by process of execution, when such article or thing was the cause of the indebtedness in whole or in part upon which the original judgment or decree was founded.

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That the provisions of this act shall not be construed to apply to any debts or obligations which may have been incurred previous to the fourth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-three; but the several acts and parts of acts in relation to the collection of debts at present existing, shall be and remain in full force in regard to all such debts or obligations.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Ware,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Wheaton—8.
Congar,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Irons,	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Brinly,	Lum,	Srope,
Clark,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Warne,
Field,	Richards,	Whitney,
French,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
Green,	Robins,	Willets,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—42.

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

The second section of said bill being under consideration, as follows:

Sec. 2. And be it enacted, That the writ of *capias ad satisfaciendum* shall not henceforth be awarded or issued upon any judgment founded upon any contract, express or implied, except upon the oath or affirmation of the plaintiff, or upon proof establishing to the satisfaction of a justice or judge of the court in which the said judgment is rendered:

1st. The particulars specified in either of the subdivisions of the first section of this act; or

2d. That the defendant has rights and credits, moneys or effects, either in his own possession, or in the possession of any other person or persons to his use, which he unlawfully and unjustly refuses to apply in payment of such judgment.

Mr. Congar moved to insert after the word use in the second subdivision of said section the words, "of the value of ten dollars or over;"

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Congar,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,
Brinly,	Cory,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Brown,	Dawes,	Hynard,
Butcher,	Demarest,	Irons,
Clark,	Field,	Kline,

Messrs. Reynolds,	Messrs. Snowdon,	Messrs. Ware,
Robins,	Srope,	Wheaton—23.
N. Smith,	Van Boskerck,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Maskell,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Mount,	Stephens,
Cook,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Potter,	Warne,
French,	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Green,	Ryerson,	Willets,
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—28.
Jacobus,		

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. N. Smith moved to strike out fourth and fifth sections of said bill, as follows:

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That no warrant to arrest the body of any defendant, shall henceforth be issued out of any court for the trial of small causes in this state, in any action of debt or other action founded upon contract express or implied, except upon proof made as specified in the first section of this act, establishing to the satisfaction of the justice issuing such warrant the particulars specified in either of the subdivisions of the first section of this act, and it shall be the duty of the justice before whom such proof shall be made or offered to file such affidavits, and thereupon to issue a warrant as heretofore, and before the passage of the act entitled an "act to abolish imprisonment for debt."

Sec. 5. And be it enacted, That no execution to arrest the body of any defendant shall henceforth be issued out of any court for the trial of small causes in this state upon any judgment rendered in an action of debt or other action founded upon contract express or implied, except upon proof made as herein before provided, establishing to the satisfaction of the justice before whom such judgment was rendered the particulars specified in either of the subdivisions of the first section of this act, or that the defendant has rights or credits, moneys or effects, either in his own possession, or in the possession of any other person to his own use, which he unlawfully and unjustly refuses to apply in payment of such judgment; and upon making or offering and filing such proof before the said justice, an execution against the body of such defendant may be issued

as heretofore and before the passage of the act entitled "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt,"

And insert in lieu thereof the following section:

And be it enacted, That the same proceedings in all respects for the collection of moneys in action of debt, express or implied, shall be had in the courts for the trial of small causes (except as hereinafter provided) as was had heretofore, or before the 4th day of July, 1842; provided always, that when any defendant shall be arrested by virtue of any execution express or implied, that it shall be the duty of the constable, at the request of the defendant, to take him before any justice of the peace of said county, and if the said defendant will then and there make an affidavit in writing before the said justice, that he has surrendered up to the said constable to be applied to the payment of the said execution all his goods and chattles, rights and credits, moneys and effects, except what he is allowed by law, then it shall be the duty of the said justice to direct the said constable to release the defendant from his custody, and to make an endorsement on the said execution accordingly, and then to deliver the said execution, together with the affidavit, to the constable, whose duty it shall be to return the execution to the said justice that issued it, accompanied with the said affidavit, to be filed in his office;

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Ware,
Brinly,	Flomerfelt,	Warne,
Brown,	Hynard,	Wheaton,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Clark,	Reynolds,	Winter—17.
Cory,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Patterson,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	Richards,
Cook,	Jacobus,	Robins,
Cooper,	Kline,	Ridgway,
Deacon,	Lum,	Satterthwait,
Field,	Maskell,	S. C. Smith,
French,	Mount,	Snowdon,

Messrs. Sro[illegible],	Messrs. Van Houten,	Messrs. Willets,
Stephens,	Voorhees,	Zabriskie—32.
Van Boskerck,	Whitney,	

So the motion to amend was not agreed to.

Mr. N. Smith moved to amend by striking out the fifth section and inserting in place thereof the following section:

And be it enacted, That upon all judgments entered in the courts for the trial of small causes, founded upon debt express or implied, execution shall issue as heretofore and before the 4th day of July, 1842: provided always, that when any defendant shall be arrested by virtue of any execution for debt express or implied, that it shall be the duty of the constable, at the request of the defendant, to take him before any justice of the peace of said county, and if the defendant will then and there make an affidavit in writing before said justice, that he has surrendered up to the said constable to be applied to the payment of the said execution, all his goods and chattels, rights and credits, moneys and effects, except what is allowed by law, then it shall be the duty of the said justice to direct the said constable to release the defendant from his custody, and make an endorsement on the said execution accordingly, and then to deliver the said execution together with the affidavit to the constable, whose duty it shall be to return the said execution to the said justice that issued it accompanied with the said affidavit to be filed in his office;

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Congar,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Potter,	Winter—16.
Demarest,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Jacobus,
Baldwin,	French,	Kline,
Cook,	Green,	Lum,
Cooper,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Maskell,
Deacon,	Harrison,	Mount,

Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Satterthwait,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Patterson,	S. C. Smith,	Van Boskerck,
Richards,	Snowdon,	Voorhees,
Ridgway,	Srope,	Whitney,
Robins,	Stephens,	Willets—31.
Ryerson,		

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The eighth section being under consideration, Mr. Congar moved to strike it out, as follows:

Sec. 8. And be it enacted, That the rights and credits of any defendant may be levied upon and taken in execution by virtue of any writ of *fieri facias*, which said writ of *fieri facias* and the levy by virtue thereof shall be of the same force and effect as a writ of attachment against a non-resident debtor, and the execution thereof, and shall bind the said rights and credits from the time of the said levy in like manner as such writ of attachment would do; and the plaintiff in execution may proceed in his own name for the recovery of such rights or credits in like manner as a plaintiff in attachment may do, and the proceedings thereupon shall be conducted in all respects in the manner prescribed by the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th day of March, 1798;

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Congar,	Messrs. Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Wheaton—8.
Clark,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Potter,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	Ridgway,
Cook,	Hynard,	Robins,
Cooper,	Kline,	Ryerson,
Deacon,	Maskell,	Satterthwait,
Demarest,	Mattison,	Schenck,
Field,	Mount,	S. C. Smith,
Flomerfelt,	Oliphant,	Snowdon,
French,	Patterson,	Stephens,

Messrs. Van Houten, Van Boskerck, Voorhees, Messrs. Warne, Whitney, Messrs. Wildrick, Willets—37.

So the motion to strike out was not agreed to.

The eighth section being still under consideration, Mr. Congar moved to amend by adding at the end of said section the following:

"Provided, That a sum due from an employer to a mechanic or laborer, not exceeding ten dollars, shall be reserved for the benefit of such mechanic or laborer;"

And called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Irons,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Ware,
Demarest,	Robins,	Wheaton—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Kline,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Lum,	Srope,
Baldwin,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Field,	Potter,	Whitney,
French,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Green,	Richards,	Willets,
Harrison,	Ridgway,	Winter—38.
Jacobus,	Satterthwait,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The eighth section being still under consideration, Mr. Congar moved to amend by adding at the end of said section the following:

Provided, That a sum due from an employer to a mechanic or laborer in his employ, not exceeding six dollars, shall be reserved for the benefit of such mechanic or laborer;

And called the yeas and nays thereon, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	N. Smith,
Brinly,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Irons,	Srope,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Cook,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Richards,	Wildrick,
Field,	Ridgway,	Willets,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Winter—39.

NAYS.

Messrs. French,	Messrs. Potter,	Messrs. Warne,
Mattison,	Schenck,	Wheaton—8.
Mount,	Voorhees,	

So the amendment was agreed to and adopted.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

SATURDAY, February 11.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Willets, from the committee on elections, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections;"

Which was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Clark presented a petition from citizens of Morris

county, praying the repeal of an act entitled, "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt," passed March 9th, 1842;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Patterson, from the select committee, to whom was recommitted the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy, and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784;"

Reported the same to the House with sundry amendments.

Mr. Ryerson, from the select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of the secretary of state, clerks of the supreme court and court of chancery, and sundry citizens of Trenton, praying the legislature to provide for the erection of new offices, reported as follows:

The select committee, to whom was referred the memorial of the secretary of state, clerks of the supreme court and of chancery, and sundry citizens of Trenton, on the subject of the inadequacy and insecurity of the buildings now occupied as clerks' offices, and praying the legislature to provide safer and more commodious accommodations, beg leave respectfully to report:

That they have had the same under consideration, and from personal inspection and inquiry, are induced to believe that the public interests and public convenience involved in the speedy and methodical transaction of business, and in the security of the records and important state documents against destruction by fire, earnestly call for legislative action on this subject. It will be perceived by reference to the files of this House, that a committee of the last legislature was appointed with reference to this subject, and their report embodied in the form of a joint resolution, recommended the erection of new and more suitable buildings for the respective offices mentioned; but in consequence of its presentation at the very close of the session, no action was, or could be had upon it at that time, and your committee believe from representations made, and from their own observations and experience, that much solicitude is felt on this subject, and considerable anxiety expressed for the better protection and security of our invaluable state records. The present buildings are old and considerably dilapidated, and that occupied as the offices of the clerk of the supreme court and secretary of state, very inadequately protected against destruction by fire; the one occupied as the office of the clerk

in chancery, although better guarded in this latter respect, is nevertheless, so crowded with documents and cramped for room, as to interfere materially with the lucid arrangement, quick reference, and prompt despatch, so necessary to the correct and satisfactory transaction of the business of that office. The state treasurer is unprovided with any public office, and is obliged to occupy such place as he can conveniently procure at the expense of the state.

In view of these facts, your committee have deemed it their duty, and have unanimously concluded to recommend that an appropriation of $10,000 be made (as provided for in the accompanying bill) for the erection (under the supervision of three competent and suitable commissioners) of two buildings for the above mentioned purposes, of similar materials, structure and appearance, and upon the plan herewith submitted for the inspection of the House; the one to be located in the north-east, and the other in the north-west corner of the state house yard, equidistant from the present state house. The buildings to be each fifty-five by forty feet in their external dimensions, and to contain each two front and two rear offices, with two fire proof safety vaults, and a hall extending far enough through to communicate with the two rooms on either side.

From the first, your committee were impressed with the incongruity which would be presented by the comparative appearance of the proposed new buildings and the present state house. They have therefore (looking to the probable expediency of repairing and modernizing the present building at no very remote day) deemed it proper to recommend the construction of the contemplated offices of such materials, and of such exterior finish as will not be incompatible with any alterations and improvements which the central building will admit of, in any subsequent attempts to make it correspond in general appearance with them. The committee have good reasons for believing that the sum proposed to be appropriated will be amply sufficient to cover all the expense of erecting and completing in full two buildings of the kind here alluded to, and more particularly described in the bill herewith communicated, both from inquiry and from proposals submitted by a competent, judicious and responsible builder, they have good assurance for stating that no additional appropriation will be called for or required for this object.

We have therefore thought proper to recommend that three reliable and judicious persons residing in this place and vicinity, be selected by this House to receive proposals for the erection of said buildings, and to carry out faithfully the views and plan here submitted, and that they receive the sum mentioned in

said bill as a proper compensation for their services in supervising, and fully and satisfactorily perfecting the same.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARTIN I. RYERSON,
THOS. HARRISON,
SAML. M. OLIPHANT,
WILLIAM PATERSON,
} *Committee.*

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill reported by said commmittee, entitled

"An act to provide for the erection of two fire proof buildings in the yard of the state house, Trenton,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Willets from the committee on elections, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Mount, from the committee on divorces, to whom had been referred the bill from Council, entitled

"An act to divorce Huldah Ann Dawson from her husband, George Dawson,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Willets, from the committee on elections, to whom had been referred the petition from the citizens of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, praying the repeal of the law providing that the elections at the town meetings in said township shall be by ballot, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, an act relative to holding township elections by ballot, in the township of Woodbridge;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings, reported the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. French, the vote of yesterday adopting the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be requested

to report upon the resolution presented by Mr. Allen of Glou-cester, instructing the committee aforesaid to report a bill authorizing the collecter of the several townships to collect tax warrants,

Was reconsidered, and the said resolution withdrawn by the mover.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following:

Resolved, That three thousand copies of the majority report, and three thousand copies of the minority report, from the judiciary committee, on the subject of altering the constitution of this state, be printed for the use of this House, in addition to the number of copies already ordered to be printed;

Which was read, and so amended as to read as follows:

Resolved, That one thousand additional copies of the reports of the majority and the minority of the judiciary committee, on the subject of altering the constitution of this state, be printed for the use of this House, in addition to the number of copies already ordered to be printed; and that said reports be printed together in one pamphlet;

Which was read, and the question being upon the adoption of said resolution as amended, the yeas and nays were called, and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Robins,
Baldwin,	Irons,	Ryerson,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cook,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Potter,	Voorhees,
French,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Green,	Richards,	Willets—29.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ridgway,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Ware,
Brown,	Patterson,	Warne,
Clark,	Satterthwait,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,	Winter,
Hynard,	Snowdon,	Zabriskie—20.
Maskell,	Srope,	

So the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Van Boskerck offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That two copies of Elmer's digest be furnished to the township of North Bergen, in the county of Hudson; one copy for the assessor and collector of said township for their common use, and one copy for the overseers of the poor in said township, for their common use;

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. Green, ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the following bills, viz:

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Lumberton, New Jersey;"

"An act to incorporate the union total abstinence beneficial society of Upper Penn's Neck, Salem county, New Jersey;"

"An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Jonathan Beach, deceased, late of the county of Essex;"

"An act to authorize James Long and John H. Scattergood, executors of the last will and testament of John McGowan, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate;"

"An act changing a part of the boundary line between the townships of Princeton and Westminster, in the county of Mercer;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hoboken land and improvement company, passed February 21st, 1838;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Lumberton, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the union total abstinence beneficial society, of Upper Penn's Neck, Salem county, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Jonathan Beach, deceased, late of the county of Essex,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James Long and John H. Scattergood, executors of the last will and testament of John McGowen, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act changing a part of the division line between the townships of Princeton and West Windsor, in the county of Mercer,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hoboken land and improvement company, passed February 21st, 1838,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Another message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to create the county of Hudson,"

Without amendment; also,

The joint resolutions from the Assembly, relative to the repudiation of state debts,"

With sundry amendments, to which amendments the concurrence of the Assembly is requested; and the bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. N. Smith, French and Cooper.

On motion of Mr. French, the following resolution, offered by Mr. Allen some days since, was taken up:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be instructed

to report a bill to this House, giving power, and making it the duty of the township collectors to collect the tax warrants, instead of the constables, as is now provided by law;

Which was read and adopted.

The House then proceeded to take up the unfinished business of yesterday, being the bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

And the ninth section being under consideration, as follows:

Section 9. And be it enacted, That the provisions of this act shall not extend to proceedings, as for contempts to enforce civil remedies, nor to actions on promises to marry, or for the recovery of moneys collected by any public officer, or for any misconduct or neglect in office; nor shall they apply to any action founded upon contract made or entered into within this state before the fourth day of July, eighteen hundred and forty-two,

Mr. Congar moved to strike out all after the word "office,"

And called the yeas and nays thereon which were ordered as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Butcher,	Potter,	Ware,
Congar,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Ryerson,	Winter—16.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Jacobus,	essrs. Snowdon,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Srope,
Clark,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhoes,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Warne,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Willets,
Harrison,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—32.
Irons,	S. C. Smith,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar further moved to amend by adding the following to the 10th section:

And provided, also, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to repeal the act entitled "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt," passed the 9th of March, 1842, in regard to any debt or obligation incurred, or any contract made or entered into between the 9th day of March 1842, and the 1st day of March, 1843, but the said act shall remain in force in regard to all such debts, obligations or contracts;

And the question being on the adoption of said amendment, Mr. Congar called the yeas and nays, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Ware,
Brown,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Butcher,	Richards,	Wheaton,
Clark,	Ryerson,	Wildrick,
Congar,	N. Smith,	Winter,
Dawes,	Srope,	Zabriskie—19.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Cook,	Messrs. Deacon,
Baldwin,	Cooper,	French,
Green,	Mount,	Snowdon,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Oliphant,	Stephens,
Harrison,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
Irons,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
Jacobus,	Robins,	Warne,
Kline,	Satterthwait,	Whitney,
Lum,	Schenck,	Willets—29.
Maskell,	S. C. Smith,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. French moved to amend by adding at the close of the fifth section the following:

Provided nevertheless, That whenever the body of any defendant or defendants shall be arrested by virtue of any execution issued out of any court for the trial of small causes in this state, that if said defendant or defendants shall make an inventory of all his or their goods and chattels, rights and credits, moneys and effects, other than those allowed him or

them by law, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said execution, and make an oath or affirmation before some justice of the peace of said county, that the same is just and true, and shall file the same with said justice; then it shall be the duty of said constable to release the body or bodies of said defendant or defendants, and to levy upon the said goods and chattels, rights and credits, monies and effects, and proceed to make the said debt and costs of said execution, and make return of his proceedings therein to the justice who issued said execution within thirty days from the time he received the same.

Pending the decision of this amendment, the House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of Essex county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Willets, from the committee on elections, to whom was referred sundry petitions, praying for laws to authorize the voting by ballot at the town meetings in certain townships, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Union, in the county of Essex, and the inhabitants of the township of Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act for the better regulation of the amicable meadow company, in the county of Salem,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Willets, from the committee on elections, to whom was referred the petitions from sundry white citizens of this state, praying that the right of suffrage may be extended to black persons, reported against the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this state, passed March 8th, 1836,"

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Richards, made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools, passed March 1st, 1838,"

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Richards, made the order of the day for Monday next.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the title to lands sold by Frazee Coles, administrator to the estate of Isaac W. Littell, deceased;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The House then proceeded to the unfinished business of the morning, being the bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds."

And the question being upon the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. French this morning, the yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Ware,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Warne,
Butcher,	Irons,	Wheaton,
Clark,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Congar,	Reynolds,	Winter,
Dawes,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—19.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Maskell,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Cook,	Mount,	Srope,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Stephens,
Green,	Richards,	Van Boskerck,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	Van Houten,
Harrison,	Ryerson,	Voorhees,
Jacobus,	Satterthwait,	Whitney,
Kline,	S. C. Smith,	Willets—25.
Lum,		

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar moved to amend said bill by inserting as a sixth section the following:

Section 6. And be it enacted, That whenever any person shall be arrested by virtue of any civil process issued out of any court of law or of equity in this state, in any action of debt, or other action founded upon contract express or implied, it shall be the duty of the sheriff, constable, or other officer, having such person in custody, upon the request of such person, to take him before the judge or justice of the peace, by whom such process was issued, and such person may then and there be examined, under oath or affirmation, in regard to the allegations contained in the affidavit of the plaintiff or plaintiffs in said action, and in the affidavits and proofs made or exhibited to the said judge or justice of the peace, and he shall be entitled to produce explanatory and rebutting testimony by the oath or affirmation of witnesses on his behalf, or by other proof; and if the judge or justice of the peace shall be satisfied that the said allegations are untrue in their material parts, he shall in his discretion direct the sheriff, constable, or other officer, to release such person from custody.

And the question being upon the adoption of said section, the yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Dawes,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Brown,	Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Ware,
Clark,	Irons,	Wheaton—14.
Congar,	Potter,	

NAYS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Baldwin,	Maskell,	Srope,
Cook,	Mount,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
French,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Green,	Ryerson,	Warne,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	Whitney,
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	Willets,
Jacobus,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—32.
Kline,	S. C. Smith,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar further moved to amend said bill by inserting as the 10th section the following:

Section 10. And be it enacted, That there shall be reserved hereafter to every person not having a family the following property when owned by him, viz:

1st. All wearing apparel necessary for the use of such person;

2d. Farming utensils, implements of husbandry, and the necessary tools of a mechanic or tradesman, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

And to every person having a family,

1st. All wearing apparel necessary for such person and his family;

2. One cow, one hog, the necessary food for them, all necessary pork, beef, fish, flour, and vegetables, actually provided for family use, and necessary fuel for the use of the family for sixty days;

3d. Farming utensils, implements of husbandry, and the necessary tools of a mechanic or tradesman, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

4th. All necessary beds, bedsteads and bedding for such person and his family, necessary cooking utensils, and in addition thereto, other household furniture, not exceeding in value one hundred dollars;

5th. The family bible, school books, and other books, not exceeding in value fifty dollars;

6th. A seat or pew occupied by such person, or his family, in any house or place of public worship;

7th. A burial lot, not exceeding twenty feet square, in any public cemetery or burial ground;

Which property shall not be liable to be seized or taken by virtue of any process issued out of any court of law or equity in this state, in actions of debt or other actions founded upon contract, express or implied: provided always, that nothing contained in this section shall exempt any particular article or thing from being levied upon, taken or seized, by process of execution, when such article or thing was the cause of the indebtedness in whole or in part upon which the original judgment or decree was founded; and provided also, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to repeal the act entitled, an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, passed the 9th of March, 1842, in regard to any debt or obligation incurred, or any contract made or entered into, between the 9th day of March, 1842, and the 1st day of March, 1843, but the said act shall remain in force in regard to all such debts, obligations or contracts; provided nevertheless, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any debts or obligations incurred, or any contract made or entered into, previous to the 4th day of July, 1843;

Which was read, and the question being upon agreeing to said amendment, the yeas and nays were called and ordered as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Congar,	Mr. Wheaton—5.
Brown,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Srope,
Butcher,	Lum,	Stephens,
Clark,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Potter,	Ware,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Whitney,
French,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Green,	Ryerson,	Willets,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Winter,
Harrison,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—41.
Irons,	S. C. Smith,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

No further amendment being offered to the said bill, it was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to change the real estate of Charlotte Losey, and to authorize sale of the same, passed 10th March, 1837;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to raise by tax the sum of forty thousand dollars;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in the city of Newark, in the county of Essex,

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware bridge company, passed March 5th, 1832,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to enable the townships of Dover, Middletown and Howell, in the county of Monmouth, to sell and convey certain real estate therein named,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the rules requiring one day's notice of intention to ask leave to introduce a bill was suspended, and thereupon Mr. Congar asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for preventing the injury of illegal confinement, and better securing the liberty of the people, passed the 11th day of March, 1795;"

Which was read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The House adjourned till ten o'clock Monday morning.

MONDAY, February 13.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Wildrick presented two petitions from citizens of the county of Warren, praying a law to authorize the holding of a convention to revise the constitution of this state;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Clark presented a petition from citizens of Morris county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed March 9th, 1842;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Cook presented a petition from citizens of Newark, praying that no alteration may be made in the law abolishing imprisonment for debt;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from Charles G. McChesney, Esq., secretary of state:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
TRENTON, February 13, 1843.

Sir,—By direction of his excellency, the Governor, I have the honor to inform the House of Assembly that

150 copies of the enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States,

150 copies of the census of Pensioners,

150 copies of the statistical information taken and collected under the act to provide for taking the sixth census, and

300 copies of the compendium or abridgement of the sixth census,

To which the state of New Jersey is entitled under the resolution of Congress providing for the distribution of the same, are in my possession, and awaiting the action of the legislature thereon.

Most respectfully, your obedient servant,

CHARLES G. McCHESNEY,
Secretary of State.

To the Hon. SAMUEL B. HALSEY, speaker of the House of Assembly.

Which was read, and referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Stephens, from the committee on claims and pensions, to whom was referred the petition of John Beam, of the county of Hunterdon, praying for a pension, reported a bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Beam, of the county of Hunterdon;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Kline, the printing of said bill was dispensed with.

Mr. Allen, from the select committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the townships of Woolwich and Greenwich, in the county of Gloucester, praying for a law to set off from said townships a new township to be called the township of Harrison, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to establish a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Harrison;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the subject of making some alteration in the manner of collecting tax warrants, reported a bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning taxes;"

Which was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to confirm the title to lands sold by Frazee Coles, administrator to the estate of Isaac W. Littell, deceased;"

Was taken up, read by its title, and ordered to a second reading, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the House dispensed with so much of the forty-fifth rule as requires that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this state, passed March 8th, 1836,"

Which was taken up, read and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the House again dispensed with so much of the forty-fifth rule as requires that all public bills

shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools, passed March 1st, 1838;"

Which was taken up, read a second time, and on motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed.

On motion of Mr. Green, the House again dispensed with so much of the forty-fifth rule as requires that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning sheriffs, passed the 18th March, 1796;"

Which was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the division of the real estate of Jacob Kay, deceased;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the enclosure of a certain tract of salt meadow in the township of Lodi, in the county of Bergen;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act for the better regulation of the amicable meadow company in the county of Salem,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the the stockholders of the mechanics' and manufacturers' bank at Trenton, to reduce their capital stock,"

Was taken up, read a second time, with the amendment made by the committee on corporations, the amendment agreed to, and said bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from citizens of Morris county, praying an alteration in the usury laws;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize James S. Springer, guardian of Lydia Moore, Robert Moore, Joseph Moore, and Mary Ann Moore, to release their right to certain real estate;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Also, the bill from the Assembly entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed the 24th day of February, 1806;"

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James S. Springer, guardian of Lydia Moore, Robert Moore, Joseph Moore, and Mary Ann Moore, to release their right to certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Irons presented a petition from citizens of Monmoth county, praying a law to provide that persons may be remunerated for lands taken up for highways;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Congar presented five petitions signed by over four hundred citizens of Essex county, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed March 9th, 1842, may not be repealed;

Which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James Long and John H. Scattergood, executors of the last will and testament of John McGowen, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to change the trust of the real estate of Charlotte Lorey, and to authorize sale of the same, passed 10th March, 1837;"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act relative to the assessment and collection of taxes in the city of Newark, in the county of Essex,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to enable the townships of Dover, Middletown and Howell, in the county of Monmouth, to sell and convey certain real estate therein named,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others in the erection, alteration and repair of buildings in the city of Newark,"

Was taken up, and while the same was under consideration the House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 14.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. S. C. Smith presented a petition from citizens of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, praying sundry alterations in the law respecting free negroes and slaves;

Which was referred to the committee on that subject without reading.

Mr. Mount presented a petition from sundry citizens of the counties of Monmouth, Middlesex, Mercer and Burlington, praying a law allowing to landholders through whose land a highway may hereafter be laid, a just compensation for the number of acres used for such highway, and a remuneration for the cost of the fences that may be required along the same;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Green presented a petition from citizens of Mercer county, praying an alteration in the license law;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of Newark, praying that the law now before the legislature entitled, "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds" may not be passed;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the following bills from the Assembly:

"An act relative to bridges in the county of Cumberland;"

And,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jefferson beneficial society of the county of Salem, passed the 11th day of March, 1842,"

Severally without amendment.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was referred the petition of the Mercer cemetery association praying for an act of incorporation, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Mercer cemetery of Trenton;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was referred the bills from Council entitled,

"An act changing a part of the boundary line between the townships of Princeton and West Windsor, in the county of Mercer;"

"An act to incorporate the union total abstinence beneficial society of Upper Penn's Neck, Salem county, New Jersey;"

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Lumberton, New Jersey;"

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hoboken land and improvement company, passed February 21st, 1838;"

Reported each to the House without amendment.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to confirm the title to lands sold by Frazee Coles, administrator of the estate of Isaac Littell, deceased,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Richards offered the following:

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into joint meeting for the purpose of appointing such state and county officers as may be thought necessary, and request Council to name time and place;

Which was read and adopted.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the better security of mechanics and others in the erection, alteration and repair of buildings in the city of Newark,"

Being the unfinished business of yesterday, was taken up and considered,

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Brown,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Patterson,
Congar,	Hynard,	Potter,
Cook,	Irons,	Reynolds,
Deacon,	Jacobus,	Richards,

Messrs. N. Smith, Messrs. Stephens, Messrs. Van Houten,
S. C. Smith, Van Boskerck, Wheaton—22.
Snowdon,

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Messrs. Flomerfelt, Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker, French, Schenck,
Brinly, Harrison, Srope,
Butcher, Maskell, Voorhees,
Clark, Mattison, Warne,
Dawes, Mount, Wildrick,
Dickinson, Ridgway, Willets,
Demarest, Robins, Zabriskie—25.
Field,

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Mr. Congar moved to postpone the further consideration thereof till the next session of the legislature, and called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown, Messrs. Dickinson, Messrs. Reynolds,
Butcher, Flomerfelt, N. Smith,
Congar, Hynard, Ware,
Cory, Maskell, Wheaton—13.
Dawes,

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Messrs. Harrison. Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker, Jacobus, Schenck,
Brinly, Kline, S. C. Smith,
Clark, Lum, Snowdon,
Cook, Mattison, Srope,
Cooper, Mount, Stephens,
Deacon, Oliphant, Van Boskerck,
Demarest, Patterson, Van Houten,
Field, Potter, Voorhees,
French, Richards, Warne,
Green, Ridgway, Willets—35.
Halsey, (Sp.) Robins,

So the motion to postpone was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration was postponed till this afternoon.

Mr. Whitney, from the joint committee appointed to investigate the charges contained in the treasurer's account for postage of the members of the last legislature, presented the following report and accompanying statements:

REPORT.

The joint committee appointed to investigate the charges contained in the treasurer's account for the postage of the members of the last legislature, beg leave to report:

That they have had the same under consideration, and have given the subject a full, careful, and attentive examination. And your committee would here take occasion to say, that they applied to the General Post Office Department, at an early day, for abstracts and documents, necessary, in their opinion, to a proper investigation of the subject; and from an unusual delay in their transmission, has arisen the cause of protracting, to so late a period of our session, the result of such investigation. Your committee have examined a number of persons, under oath or affirmation, whom they believed were more or less acquainted with the affairs and duties of said office; and the substance of the material facts in relation to the same, together with copies or abstracts of the accounts current, or quarterly returns to the Post Office Department, during a period of six years, are hereinafter set forth.

It appears that a resolution was adopted by the legislature in 1836–7, declaring that the postage of its members should be paid; which practice was continued by every succeeding legislature down to the session of 1841–2, during which time the following sums appear to have been paid by the treasurer of the state, viz: in 1836–7, $397.03; in 1837–8, $1,023.07; in 1838–9, $980.95; in 1839–40, $960.88; in 1840–41, $1,202.96; and in 1841–2, $1,949.30. From the account current, as rendered to the Post Office Department, a copy whereof is herewith submitted, marked A, it is ascertained that the quarterly

returns, embracing those periods or quarters when the legislature were not in session, average one thousand and nine dollars, and from these facts or data, with the amount paid by the state included in those quarters when the legislature were in session, a very probable and almost certain conclusion may be attained as to the amount necessarily due and to be rendered to the Department within those quarters. The following statements will show the gross amount rendered to the Post Office Department, as contained in the accounts current hereinafter referred to, as also, the several amounts paid by the state whilst the legislature were in session, embracing the same quarters. Assuming, therefore, the fact, that the postage of the citizens was as much during the sitting of the legislature as in the interim, and no more, we come to the following results. Commencing with the quarter ending 31st December, 1837, amount rendered to the Department for that quarter was $1,077.28; amount paid in that quarter by the state for legislative postage, $225.73, showing a difference of $68 for the average quarterly returns of the city postage, and a balance unaccounted for of $157.73; the amount returned for the quarter ending 31st March, 1838, was $1,399.26; amount of postage paid by the state, same quarter, $789.32, showing a difference of $390.26 more than the average ordinary return, showing a balance of $399.06 unaccounted for. The quarterly returns for the quarter ending 31st December, 1838, as per account current marked A, $1,100.69¾: amount of legislative postage paid by the state in the same quarter, $245.05, showing a difference over the average quarterly return, of $91.69¾, and a balance of $153.35¼. The quarterly return to the Post Office Department for the quarter ending 31st March, 1839, as per account current marked B, was $1,322.26; amount of legislative postage paid by the state, same quarter, $735.90; showing an excess over the average quarterly returns of $313.26, leaving at the same time a balance of $422.64. The amount rendered to the Post Office Department for the quarter ending 31st December, 1839, as per account current marked C, was $1,108.84¾; amount of postage paid by the state during said quarter, was $171.40, making, in this quarter, an excess upon the average quarterly returns of $99.84½, and showing a balance of $71.55¼. The gross amount of postage rendered to the Department for the quarter ending 31st March, 1840, as per account current marked D, was $1,284.40; amount of legislative postage paid by the state in this quarter, $789.48, exhibiting in this quarter an excess of $275.40 over the average quarterly return, and showing a balance of $514.08. The gross amount, as rendered the Department, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1840,

as per account current marked E, was $1,044.61; amount paid by the state for legislative postage during same quarter, was $143.83, showing an excess upon the average quarterly returns of $35.61, and exhibits an unadjusted balance of $108.22. The gross amount rendered the Post Office Department for the quarter ending 31st March, 1841, as per account current marked F, was $1,409.11½; amount paid by the state for legislative postage during same quarter, was $1,059.13, making a difference or excess over the average quarterly returns of $400.11½, leaving a balance of $659.01½. The gross amount of postage rendered the Post Office Department for the quarter ending December 31st, 1841, as per account current marked G, was $1,098.39; amount paid by the state during same quarter for legislative postage, was $376.70, being an excess upon the average quarterly returns of $89.39, and showing a balance unadjusted of $287.71. The amount rendered the Department for the quarter ending 31st March, 1842, as per account current marked H, was $1,537.83½; amount paid by state, in same quarter, was $1,514.21, showing an excess upon the average quarterly postage of $526.83½, and also shows an unadjusted balance of $987.37½. Accompanying this is an abstract or copy, showing the quarterly returns as rendered to the Department for the several quarters, commencing September 30th, 1836, down to December 31st, 1842, by which it will be perceived the averge returns of the several quarters are clearly and readily shown.

The gross amonnt of postage paid by the state, during a period of five years, ending 31st, March, 1842, was	$6,050.75
Gross amount rendered in the quarterly returns to the Department, during the same period, including postmaster's fees, or per centage, was	2,290.02
Balance unaccounted for, and not shown in the returns to the Department, during the same time, was	$3,760.73

It has been stated to your committee that the carrying of letters and newspapers forms an important item in the account rendered against the state for legislative postage. The rates paid or charged for such services are two cents for each letter, and one cent for a newspaper. Your committee are clearly of the opinion that the carrying fees or expense arising therefrom, would not constitute an item in the account sufficient to absorb the balances unaccounted for, arising in the several quarters as

is hereinbefore stated, as it would amount to *thirty-two per cent.* upon the gross amount of all the postage collected, and as shown by the rendition of the accounts current; and would be *sixty per cent.* upon the postage paid by the state, in which account it belongs and is necessarily included, showing an actual difference in favor of the carrier, of ten per cent. over the fees or per centage of the postmaster; and also, of the entire amount or balance due to the Post Office Department out of said amount so paid.

In the course of the investigation, several facts and circumstances were brought to the notice of your committee, clearly showing that abuses had crept in, in the exercise of the privilege. Amongst the most material were the following: it was said members of the legislature were occasionally in the habit of franking letters, documents, &c., &c., addressed by a third person. Editors received documents and communications of various descriptions, under the frank of those entitled to the privilege. It was also stated that an editor of one of the newspapers published in our state, was in the habit of receiving from his correspondent, during the sitting of the legislature, the daily subject matter of such correspondence under the frank of members, which necessarily constituted a considerable item in the postage account. It was also stated that a large number of pamphlets, not printed by order of the legislature, subject to heavy postage, were sent through the mails. It is, however, the opinion of your committee that the abuses above alluded to, were not practised to an extent sufficient to justify the extraordinary increase in the amount paid by the state; and if such were the fact, the same should appear by the account current as rendered to the Department; but upon reference to such returns, which are hereinbefore stated, the same does not appear. In conclusion, your committee feel bound to say, that in their opinion the amount charged to the state and paid by her treasurer, for postage during the last four years, was much more than there is any reason to believe could have fairly and justly accrued.

Having arrived at the foregoing conclusions, after an attentive and careful investigation, we hereby most respectfully submit the same to the consideration of the legislature.

A. BOYLES, CRAIG MOFFETT, } *Committee of Council.*

THO. H. WHITNEY, MARTIN J. RYERSON, } *Committee of Assembly.*

FEBRUARY 14, 1843.

STATEMENT A.

Statement of the amounts of "Unpaid Letters Received," of "Paid Letters Sent," and of "Newspapers and Pamphlets Postage," of the Post Office at Trenton, New Jersey, for the several quarters, commencing July 1st, 1836, and ending December 31st, 1842.

	Unpaid Received.	Paid Sent.	Newspapers.
Quarter ending 30 Sept., 1836,	$694.40	$116.07	$83.47
" " 31 Dec., "	724.75	136.07	83.63
" " 31 March, 1837,	923.74	178.86	102.82
" " 30 June, "	835.86	144.30	104·20
" " 30 Sept., "	780.67	153.91	88.86
" " 31 Dec., "	744.89	237.26	95.12
" " 31 March, 1838,	943.54	371.46	84.24
" " 30 June, "	717.10	159.02	86.10
" " 30 Sept., "	731.10	153.08	74.40
" " 31 Dec., "	823.65	255.35	76.10
" " 31 March, 1839,	971.43	333.84	75.62
" " 30 June, "	921.35	183.82	76.50
" " 30 Sept., "	1151.16	202.12	78.64
" " 31 Dec., "	886.57	201.95	81.84
" " 31 March, 1840,	987.84	276.25	86.46
" " 30 June, "	759.70	132.28	83.95
" " 30 Sept., "	761.62	135.20	82.84
" " 31 Dec., "	802.26	188.06	84.36
" " 31 March, 1841,	990.33	381.16	88.—
" " 30 June, "	813.17	141.53	84.46
" " 30 Sept., "	807.10	140.46	83.40
" " 31 Dec., "	843.09	222.39	83.26
" " 31 March, 1842,	1009.74	332.51	240.26
" " 30 June, "	843.71	159.43	92.40
" " 30 Sept., "	784.42	168.34	108.86
" " 31 Dec., "	810.07	158.62	100.31

STATE

Dr. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols.	Cts.
1.	To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,	8	06
2.	To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,	971	43
3.	To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4.	To postage of letters uncharged from other offices this quarter,		70
5.	To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6.	To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter,	333	84
	Dollars,	1,314	03
11.	To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,	1,246	58
12.	To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter, $78.75		
13.	Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets, 3.12		
		75	62
	Dollars,	1,322	21

I. C. Withington, *Ass't*,

MENT B.

the General Post Office, from Jan. 1 to March 31, 1839. CR.

		Dols.	Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged and missent this quarter,		39.50
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,		14.10
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,		13.84
10.	Balance carried down,		1,246.58
	Dollars,		1,314.03
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 50 per cent.,	$50.00	
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent.,	75.00	
	By commission on 846 D. 58 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent.,	169.31	
			294.31
15.	By commission on 75 D. 62 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,		37.81
16.	By 597 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,		11.94
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
	By 15 monthly registers at 10 cents,	$1.50	
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses, as by receipts herewith,		99.19
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,		878.95
	Dollars,		1,322.21

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE

Dr. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols. Cts.
1. To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,		18.81
2. To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,		886.57
3. To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4. To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,		3.27
5. To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6. To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter		201.95
Dollars,		1,110.61
11. To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,		1,027.00
12. To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter,	$84.21	
13. Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets,	2.37	
		81.84
Dollars,		1,108.84

I. C. Withington. *Ass't.*

MENT C.

the General Post office, from Oct. 1, to Dec. 31, 1839. CR.

		Dols.	Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged and missent this quarter,	30.37	
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,	34.30	
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,	18.92	
10.	Balance carried down,	1,027.00	
	Dollars,	1,110.61	
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 50 per cent., $50.00		
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent., 75.00		
	By commission on 627 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent., 125.40		
		250.40	
15.	By commission on 81 D. 84 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,	40.92	
16.	By 559 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,	11.18	
	By 15 monthly registers, at 10 cents, $1.50		
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses as by receipts herewith,	98.34	
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,	708.00	
	Dollars,	1,108.84	

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE

Dr. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols.	Cts.
1.	To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,	18	92
2.	To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,	987	84
3.	To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4.	To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,	5	77
5.	To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6.	To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter,	267	25
	Dollars,	1,279	80
11.	To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,	1,198	94
12.	To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter, $88.21		
13.	Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets, 2.75		
		85	46
	Dollars,	1,284	40

I. C. WITHINGTON, *Ass't*,

MENT B.

the General Post Office, from Jan. 1 to March 31, 1840. CR.

			Dols. Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged and missent this quarter,		34.64
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,		27.96
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,		18.25
10.	Balance carried down,		1,198.94
	Dollars,		1,279.80
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 50 per cent.,	$50.00	
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent.,	75.00	
	By commission on 798 D. 94 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent.,	159.79	
			284.79
15.	By commission on 85 D. 46 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,		42.73
16.	By 730 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,		14.60
	By 15 monthly registers at 10 cents,	$1.50	
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses, as by receipts herewith,		97.10
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,		845.18
	Dollars,		1,284.40

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE

Dr. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols. Cts.
1. To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,		18.23
2. To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,		803.26
3. To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4. To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,		1.21
5. To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6. To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter,		188.06
Dollars,		1,010.77
11. To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,		960.25
12. To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter,	$87.46	
13. Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets,	3.10	
		84.36
Dollars,		1,044.61

I. C. WITHINGTON, *Ass't*,

MENT E.

the General Post Office, from Oct. 1, to Dec. 31, 1840. CR.

		Dols. Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged and missent this quarter,	18.76
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,	23.67
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,	8.08
10.	Balance carried down,	960.25
	Dollars,	1,010.77
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 50 per cent., $50.00	
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent., 75.00	
	By commission on 560 D. 25 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent., 112.05	
		237.05
15.	By commission on 84 D. 36 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,	42.18
16.	By 494 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,	9.88
	By 15 monthly registers, at 10 cents, $1.50	
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,	
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,	
19.	By contingent expenses as by receipts herewith,	97.78
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,	657.72
	Dollars,	1,044.61

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE.

DR. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols.	Cts.
1.	To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,	8.08	
2.	To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,	990.33	
3.	To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4.	To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,	1.64	
5.	To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6.	To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter,	381.16	
	Dollars,	1,381.21	
11.	To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,	1,321.11	
12.	To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter, $90.22		
13.	Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets, 2.22	88.00	
	Dollars,	1,409.11	

R. C. WITHINGTON, *Ass't.*

MENT F.

the General Post Office, from Jan. 1 to March 31, 1841, Cr.

		Dols.	Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged and missent this quarter,	27.71	
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,	20.84	
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,	11.55	
10.	Balance carried down,	1,321.11	
	Dollars,		1,381.21
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 50 per cent., $50.00		
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent., 75.00		
	By commission on 921 D. 11 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent., 184.22		
			309.22
15.	By commission on 88 D. 00 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,		44.00
16.	By 672 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,		13.44
	By fifteen monthly registers, at 10 cents, $1.50		
17.	By — ship letters, paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses, as by receipts herewith,		94.38
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,		948.07
	Dollars,		1,409.11

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE

DR. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols. Cts.
1. To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,		19.47
2. To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,		843.09
3. To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4. To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,		2.79
5. To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally receive at this office for this delivery,		
6. To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter,		222.39
Dollars,		1,087.74
11. To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,		1,015.13
12. To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter,	$86.76	
13. Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets,	3.50	
		83.26
Dollars,		1,098.39

I. C. WITHINGTON, *Ass't*,

MENT G.

the General Post Office, from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1841. Cr.

			Dols. Cts.
7.	By postage of letters overcharged, missent, and forwarded this quarter,		28.08
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,		22.35
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,		22.18
10.	Balance carried down,		1,015.13
	Dollars,		1,087.74
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 30 per cent.,	$30.00	
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent.,	75.00	
	By commission on 615 D. 13 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent.,	123.02	
			228.02
15.	By commission on 83 D. 26 C. newspaper postage, at 50 per cent.,		41.63
16.	By 511 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,		10.22
	By 12 monthly registers, at 10 cents,	$1,20	
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses, as by receipts herewith,		6.20
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,		812.31
	Dollars,		1,098.39

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

STATE

Dr. *The Post Office at Trenton, N. J. in account current with*

		Dols. Cts.
1. To postage of letters which remained in the office last quarter,		22.18
2. To postage of unpaid letters received from other offices this quarter,		1,009.74
3. To postage of way letters received at this office this quarter,		
4. To postage of letters undercharged from other offices this quarter,		1.86
5. To postage of — ship letters, at 6 cents each, originally received at this office for this delivery,		
6. To postage of paid letters sent from this office this quarter		332.51
Dollars,		1,366.29
11. To balance as above, being the amount of postage collected on letters this quarter,		1,297.83
12. To amount of postage on newspapers and pamphlets this quarter,	$242.50	
13. Deduct postage of dead newspapers and pamphlets,	2.37	
		240.00
Dollars,		1,537.83

I. C. WITHINGTON. *Ass't.*

MENT H.

the General Post Office, from Jan. 1 to March 31, 1842. CR.

7.	By postage of letters overcharged, missent, and forwarded this quarter,		24.00
8.	By postage of dead letters sent to the General Post Office this quarter,		25.56
9.	By postage of letters now remaining in this office,		18.88
10.	Balance carried down,		1,297.83
	Dollars,		1,366.29
14.	By commission on 100 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 30 per cent.,	$30.00	
	By commission on 300 D. 00 C. letter postage, at 25 per cent.,	75.00	
	By commission on 897 D. 83 C. letter postage, at 20 per cent.,	179.56	
			284.56
15.	By commission on 240 D. 00 C. newspaper postpostage, at 50 per cent.,		120.00
16.	By 620 free letters delivered out of this office this quarter, at two cents each,		12.40
	By 12 monthly registers at 10 cents,	$1.20	
17.	By — ship letters paid for this quarter, as by receipts herewith at two cents each,		
18.	By cash paid the mail carrier for — way letters, at one cent each,		
19.	By contingent expenses, as by receipts herewith,		8.40
20.	Balance due to the General Post Office,		1,112.47
	Dollars,		1,537.83

For JOSEPH CUNNINGHAM, *Postmaster.*

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a petition from citizens of Hudson county, praying that the third section of the law creating the county of Hudson may be repealed;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting conveyances, and an act to register mortgages;"

"An act to authorize Squire Terrell and William D. Stewart, trustees, &c., to deliver up to be cancelled, a certain note or bond therein named;"

"An act to repeal the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act relative to the probate of wills, passed the 6th day of March, 1828;"

"An act respecting the Paterson and Ramapo railroad company;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting conveyances, and an act to register mortgages,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

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"An act respecting the Paterson and Ramapo railroad company,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Cooper presented two petitions from citizens of Morris county, praying a law to authorize the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their annual town-meetings;

Which were ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Congar presented four petitions from citizens of Newark, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt may not be repealed;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Congar presented the proceedings of a public meeting held in Newark, with a series of resolutions upon the subject of the law now before the legislature, entitled "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds," remonstrating against its passage;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. N. Smith, from the select committee, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom had been referred the petition of the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery for an alteration in their charter, reported a bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery;"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means, to whom was referred the communication from the secretary of state, informing the House that certain books were in his

possession received from the General Government, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the secretary of state be directed to distribute the "census of pensions,' the "statistics of the United States," the "enumeration of the inhabitants of the United States," and the "compendium of the sixth census," as follows:

One copy of each to the governor, secretary of state, treasurer, clerk in chancery, clerk of the supreme court, chief justice, each of the associote justices, each of the members of Council and Assembly, and the clerk of Assembly;

One copy of each to be sent to the clerks and surrogates of the several counties of the state, to be kept in their respective offices;

One copy of each to be deposited in the state library, the law library, and in each of the college libraries in this state, for the use of such libraries;

And one copy of the "compendium of the sixth census" to be sent to the clerks of the several townships in this state, for the use of said townships;

The remainder of the copies to be deposited in the state library for the use of the state, as may hereafter be directed;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Richards called up the resolution relative to adjournment, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Friday, the 17th instant.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as provide that no vote shall be reconsidered, unless it be upon the day following its adoption.

Mr. Richards moved that the vote adopting said resolution be reconsidered, and the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. Dickinson,
Baker,	Cook,	Field,
Baldwin,	Cory,	Flomerfelt,
Brown,	Cooper,	French,
Clark,	Deacon,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Congar,	Demarest,	Harrison,

Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Reynolds,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Jacobus,	Richards,	Snowdon,
Kline,	Ridgway,	Stephens,
Lum,	Robins,	Van Boskerck,
Maskell,	Ryerson,	Van Houten,
Mount,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Patterson,	N. Smith,	Wheaton—40.
Potter,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Butcher,	Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Warne,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Whitney,
Irons,	Srope,	Willets,
Mattison,	Ware,	Zabriskie—12.

So the resolution was reconsidered, and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds,"

Was taken up on its third reading, when Mr. Congar moved to postpone the further consideration thereof until Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Green moved to amend the motion of Mr. Congar by striking out "Thursday afternoon," and inserting "to-morrow morning."

And the question being on agreeing to the amendment made by Mr. Green, the yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Conover,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cook,	Lum,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Warne,
Deacon,	Mount,	Whitney,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Field,	Richards,	Willets,
French,	Ridgway,	Winter,
Green,	Robins,	Zabriskie—32.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Brown,	Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Irons,	Srope,
Clark,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wheaton—21.

So the amendment was agreed to.

And the question recurring on the motion as amended, viz: to postpone the further consideration of said bill till to-morrow morning, the yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Robins,
Baldwin,	Flomerfelt,	Ryerson,
Brown,	Green,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Srope,
Clark,	Harrison,	Van Boskerck,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Van Houten,
Conover,	Lum,	Voorhees,
Cook,	Maskell,	Ware,
Cory,	Potter,	Winter—29.
Cooper,	Reynolds,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Dawes,	Mount,	Stephens,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Field,	Richards,	Whitney,
French,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
Hynard,	Satterthwait,	Willets,
Irons,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—26.
Kline,	N. Smith,	

So the motion as amended was agreed to, and the further consideration of said bill postponed till to-morrow morning.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the enclosure of a certain tract of salt meadow in the township of Lodi, in the county of Bergen;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act for the better regulation of the amicable meadow company, in the county of Salem,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the stockholders of the mechanics' and manufacturers' bank at Trenton to reduce their capital stock;"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey,(Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Kline,	Srope,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Warne,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Field,	Richards,	Whitney,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Wildrick,
French,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—43.
Green,		

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of the indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this state, passed March 8th, 1836,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the division of the real estate of Jacob Kay, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Snowdon, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as require that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the order of the day, being the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to prevent horse racing, passed March 5th, 1835;"

Which was taken up, read, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 15.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Baker presented a series of resolutions against the passage of the law now before the House, entitled "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds," passed at a public meeting held in the city of Trenton, accompanied with a remonstrance against said law signed by two hundred and fifty citizens of Trenton;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Baker also presented a petition from one hundred citizens of Trenton, praying the legislature to pass the law now before the House, entitled "an act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds;"

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting conveyances, and an act entitled an act to register mortgages," and

"An act to repeal the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act relative to the probate of wills, passed the 6th day of March, 1828,"

Reported each to the House without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

Being the order of the day, was taken up, and while the same was under consideration,

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from citizens of Morris county, praying the repeal of the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed March 9th, 1842;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Congar presented a petition from citizens of Elizabethtown, in the county of Essex, praying that the law abolishing imprisonment for debt, passed March 9th, 1842, may not be repealed.

Mr. Brown presented a remonstrance from a number of the citizens of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, against the passage of the bill now before the House repealing the law authorizing the inhabitants of said township to vote by ballot at their town meetings;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt and to prevent frauds,"

Being the unfinished business of the morning, was taken up and considered.

Mr. Congar moved to postpone the further consideration of said bill for two weeks, and called for the yeas and nays thereon, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Mattison,
Butcher,	Dawes,	Ware,
Clark,	Demarest,	Wheaton—11.
Congar,	Flomerfelt,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Cooper,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)
Baker,	Deacon,	Harrison,
Baldwin,	Dickinson,	Hynard,
Brinly,	Field,	Jacobus,
Conover,	French,	Kline,
Cook,	Green,	Lum,

Messrs. Maskell,	Messrs. Ryerson,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Mount,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Oliphant,	Schenck,	Warne,
Patterson,	N. Smith,	Whitney,
Potter,	S. C. Smith,	Wildrick,
Reynolds,	Snowdon,	Willets,
Richards,	Srope,	Winter,
Ridgway,	Stephens,	Zabriskie—43.
Robins,		

So the motion to postpone was not agreed to.

Mr. Congar moved to recommit the said bill to the committee on the judiciary, with instructions to strike out the fourth particular of the first section, as follows:

"Fourth. That the cause of action arose within, or that the plaintiff is a resident of the state of New Jersey, and that the defendant resides out of the state, or is about to remove out of the same."

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	Ware,
Congar,	Hynard,	Wheaton—11.
Cory,	Reynolds,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Maskell,	Srope,
Conover,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Potter,	Warne,
Deacon,	Richards,	Whitney,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
French,	Robins,	Willets,
Green,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—40.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

So the motion to recommit, with the said instructions, was not adopted.

Mr. Congar further moved to recommit said bill, with instructions to strike out the latter clause of the ninth section, as follows:

Nor shall they apply to any action founded upon contract made or entered into within this state before the 9th day of March, 1842.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Congar,	Maskell,	S. C. Smith,
Cory,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Ware,
Demarest,	Potter,	Warne,
Field,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Flomerfelt,	Ryerson,	Winter—22.
Hynard,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Srope,
Conover,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cook,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Whitney,
Deacon,	Richards,	Wildrick,
Dickinson,	Ridgway,	Willets,
French,	Robins,	Zabriskie—30.

So the motion to recommit was not agreed to.

The question recurring upon the final passage of said bill.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Kline,
Baker,	Dickinson,	Maskell,
Baldwin,	French,	Mattison,
Brinly,	Green,	Mount,
Conover,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Oliphant,
Cook,	Harrison,	Richards,
Cooper,	Jacobus,	Ridgway,

Messrs. Robins,	Messrs. Srope,	Messrs. Warne,
Satterthwait,	Stephens,	Whitney,
Schenck,	Van Houten,	Wildrick,
S. C. Smith,	Voorhees,	Willets—34.
Snowdon,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,
Clark,	Hynard,	Ware,
Congar,	Lum,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Patterson,	Winter,
Dawes,	Potter,	Zabriskie—20.
Demarest,	Reynolds,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The House adjourned till to-morrow morning ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 16.

At ten o'clock the House met.

On motion of Mr. Brown,

Ordered, that one thousand copies of the report of the joint committee appointed to examine the charges for the postage of the members of the last legislature be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings,"

Was taken up, and recommitted to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Willets moved that the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, an act relative to holding township elections by ballot in the township of Woodbridge,"

Be taken up, and recommitted to the committee on elections.

Mr. Brown called for the yeas and nays, which were ordered. as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. S. C. Smith.
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Lum,	Stephens,
Clark,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Congar,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Warne,
Deacon,	Robins,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Willets—29.
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Patterson,	Messrs. Ware,
Conover,	Ridgway,	Wheaton,
Field,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,	Winter,
Oliphant,	Srope,	Zabriskie—15.

So the motion to recommit was agreed to.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning sheriffs, passed 15th March, 1796,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal an act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act to prevent horse racing, passed March 5th, 1835,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Bonnell,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Cook,	Halsey, (Sp.)	N. Smith,
Cory,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Cooper,	Lum,	Stephens,
Demarest,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Patterson,	Willets,
Field,	Potter,	Zabriskie—25.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Srope,
Brinly,	Mattison,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Clark,	Richards,	Warne,
Conover,	Ridgway,	Wheaton
Dawes,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Harrison,	Ryerson,	Winter—27.

On motion of Mr. Bonnell, the consideration of the reports of the majority and minority of the judiciary committee on the revision of the constitution, was postponed till to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the consideration of the joint resolution relative to a lunatic asylum, being the order of the day, was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce Huldah Ann Dawson from her husband, George Dawson,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Bonnell, the said bill was postponed to the next session of the legislature.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Lumberton, New Jersey;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the union total abstinence beneficial society of Upper Penn's Neck, Salem county, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James Long and John H. Scattergood, executors of the last will and testamedt of John McGowen, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act changing a part of the boundary line, between the townships of Princeton and West Windsor, in the county of Mercer;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting conveyances, and an act entitled, an act to register mortgages,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act relative to the probate of wills, passed the 6th day of March, 1828,"

Was taken up, read and amended, the amendments ordered to be engrossed, and the bill to have a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potter, from the committee, on the militia, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize repairs to the New Jersey State Arsenal,"

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Richards, the vote of this morning, postponing the consideration of the joint resolution relative to the creation of a fund for the erection of a state lunatic asylum till to-morrow morning, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Kline, the vote of this morning postponing till the next legislature the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Layfayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the rule which provides that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and be read in committee of the whole, was dispensed with, to take up the joint resolution relative to the creation of a fund for the erection of a state lunatic asylum;

Which was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Whitney called up the resolution offered by him some days since, which was read, as follows:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the agent appointed by the Governor to receive the money due to this state from the General Government, under the act of Congress for distributing the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, be and he is hereby directed to pay the amount so received, together with any other money he may receive from the same source, during the present fiscal year, into the treasury, and that the same be applied to the payment of temporary loans, and to meet the current expenses of the government.

Mr. Whitney moved to strike out all after the word "treasury;"

Which was agreed to, and the resolution as amended, was adopted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Whitney, from the committee of ways and means, reported the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized to borrow from time to time, for the use of the state, such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to meet the expenses

authorized by law, not to exceed the sum of thirty thousand dollars, and at a rate of interest not to exceed the rate of six per cent. per annum;

Which was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day was dispensed with, and the said joint resolution

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th March, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The joint resolutions relative to the repudiation of state debts, were taken up, and the amendments made in Council read, and

On motion of Mr. Ryerson, the House disagreed to the said amendments.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to the amendments made in Council to said resolutions.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed February 24th, 1806;"

Was taken up, and the amendments made in Council read and agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to confirm the title to lands sold by Frazee Coles, administrator of the estate of Isaac Littell, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money to Josiah Kay,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Beam, of the county of Hunterdon,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 17.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bills from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize Squire Terrel and William D. Stewart, trustees, &c., to deliver up to be cancelled, a certain note or bond therein named," and

"An act respecting the Paterson and Ramapo railroad company,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James S. Springer, guardian of Lydia Moore, Joseph Moore, and Mary Ann Moore, to release their right to certain real estate;"

Reported adversely to said bill.

And the question being upon agreeing to the report of the committee,

Mr. Maskell called the yeas and nays, which were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Cook,
Baker,	Brinly,	Cooper,
Baldwin,	Congar,	Deacon,

Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. Srope,
French,	Patterson,	Stephens,
Green,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Voorhees,
Harrison,	Ridgway,	Ware,
Hynard,	Ryerson,	Warne,
Jacobus,	Satterthwait,	Wheaton,
Kline,	Schenck,	Whitney,
Lum,	S. C. Smith,	Wildrick,
Mattison,	Snowdon,	Winter—39.

NAYS.

Messrs. Clark,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Conover,	Irons,	Robins,
Dawes,	Maskell,	Willets—11.
Dickinson,	Oliphant,	

So the report of the committee was agreed to.

Mr. Maskell asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application of said law.

The committee on elections, to whom was recommitted the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, an act relative to holding township elections by ballot in the township of Woodbridge,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills from the Assembly entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to provide for the instruction of indigent blind persons, inhabitants of this state, passed March 8th, 1836;"

"An act to authorize the stockholders of the mechanics' and manufacturers' bank at Trenton to reduce their capital stock;"

"An act to confirm the division of the real estate of Jacob Kay, deceased,"

Severally without amendment.

The bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

With amendments; to which amendments the concurrence of the Assembly is requested;

Also, the bill entitled,

"An act respecting poor lunatics and idiots;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act respecting poor lunatics and idiots,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Was taken up, and the amendments made in Council read,

And the question being upon agreeing to said amendments, the yeas and nays were called, and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Robins,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,
Clark,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Congar,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cory,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Potter,	Warne,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Wheaton
Dickinson,	Richards,	Willets— 30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Schenck,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	N. Smith,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Srope,
Brown,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Warne,
Conover,	Mount,	Whitney,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Field,	Ridgway,	Winter—25.
Flomerfelt,		

So the amendments were agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act relative to the probate of wills, passed the 6th day of March, 1828,"

Was taken up, and read a third time with the amendment made in the House of Assembly.

And upon the question, shall this bill as amended pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill with an amendment, and request their assent thereto.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the union total abstinence beneficial society of Upper Penn's Neck, Salem county, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Green,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Willets—38.
Field,	Ridgway,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Srope,	Messrs. Warne,
Dawes,	Ware,	Winter—7.
Mattison,		

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act changing a part of the boundary line, between the townships of Princeton and West Windsor, in the county of Mercer;"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Richards,
Baker,	French,	Ridgway,
Baldwin,	Green,	Robins,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Satterthwait,
Brown,	Jacobus,	Schenck,
Butcher,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Conover,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Winter—40.
Demarest,		

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,
"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Lumberton, New Jersey,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. French,
Baker,	Cory,	Green,
Baldwin,	Cooper,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Bonnell,	Deacon,	Harrison,
Brown,	Demarest,	Hynard,
Clark,	Dickinson,	Irons,
Congar,	Field,	Jacobus,

Messrs. Kline,	Messrs. Richards,	Messrs. S. C. Smith.
Lum,	Ridgway,	Snowdon,
Maskell,	Robins,	Stephens,
Mattison,	Ryerson,	Van Houten.
Mount,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Potter,	N. Smith,	Wheaton—40.
Reynolds,		

NAYS,

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Srope,	Mr. Winter—5.
Butcher,	Ware,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to divorce Huldah Ann Dawson from her husband, George Dawson,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Baker,	Dickinson,	Ridgway,
Baldwin,	Field,	Robins,
Bonnell,	French,	N. Smith,
Brinly,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	Srope,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Voorhees,
Clark,	Kline,	Ware,
Conover,	Maskell,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Cooper,	Mount,	Winter—35.
Dawes,	Oliphant,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Patterson,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Green,	Potter,	Snowdon,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Van Houten,
Lum,	Ryerson,	Stephens—12.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James Long and John H. Scattergood, executors of the last will and testament of John McGowen, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement concerning stray cattle, horses and sheep, passed 7th March, 1797;"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed joint resolution authorizing the treasurer to borrow money,

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this joint resolution pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Robins,
Baldwin,	Demarest,	Ryerson,
Bonnell,	Field,	Satterthwait,
Brinly,	French,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Harrison,	Srope,
Clark,	Irons,	Stephens,
Congar,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cory,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Dawes,	Ridgway,	Winters—39.

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said joint resolution and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Beam, of the county of Hunterdon,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton turnpike company, passed February 24th, 1806,"

Was taken up, read and compared.

Upon the question, shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in said bill, and have ordered the same to be re-engrossed.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools, passed March 1st, 1838,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and while the same was under consideration

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act respecting conveyances, and to an act entitled, an act to register mortgages;"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to confirm the title to lands sold by Frazee Coles, administrator of the estate of Isaac Littell, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, New Jersey,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Hynard,
Baker,	Cooper,	Irons,
Baldwin,	Demarest,	Jacobus,
Bonnell,	Dickinson,	Kline,
Brown,	Field,	Lum,
Clark,	French,	Mount,
Conover,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Potter,
Cook,	Harrison,	Reynolds,

Messrs. Ridgway,	Messrs. Snowdon,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Robins,	Stephens,	Voorhees,
Ryerson,	Van Boskerck,	Wheaton—34.
Satterthwait,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Srope,	Mr. Warne—5.
Flomerfelt,	Ware,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money to Josiah Kay,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Baldwin,	Flomerfelt,	Reynolds,
Brown,	French,	Ridgway,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	N. Smith,
Clark,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Conover,	Irons,	Srope,
Cory,	Jacobus,	Warne,
Demarest,	Maskell,	Wheaton—25.
Dickinson,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Bonnell,	Kline,	Satterthwait,
Brinly,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Mount,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Dawes,	Richards,	Van Houten,
Green,	Robins,	Voorhees—21.

The reports of the majority and minority of the judiciary committee on the revision of the constitution being the order of the day, were taken up, and

On motion of Mr. N. Smith, the further consideration of the subject was postponed until Tuesday morning.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools," passed March 1st, 1838,"

Was taken up and considered, and

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning taxes,"

Was taken up, and the rule which requires that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day and read in committee of the whole having been dispensed with, the said bill was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The same rule was again dispensed with, and the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up and read a second time, when

Mr. Green moved that the further consideration thereof be postponed till to-morrow morning;

Which was agreed to.

The House adjourned till ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 18.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Deacon presented a petition from a number of the citizens of Burlington county, praying a law to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks on the sabbath;

Which was ordered to lie on the table without reading.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom

was referred the petition of Charles McFarland and others, praying for a general law to authorize the draining of mines, &c., reported against the prayer of the petitioners;

Which report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, the vote on the final passage of the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money to Josiah Kay,"

Was reconsidered.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning taxes,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey,(Sp.)	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Irons,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Lum,	Srope,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Dawes,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Ware,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Warne,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Wheaton,
Flomerfelt,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
French,	Richards,	Willets,
Green,	Ridgway,	Winter—39.

NAYS.

Mr. Brinly, Mr. Schenck—2.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have receded from their amendments to the joint resolution from the Assembly relative to the repudiation of state debts;

Council have also agreed to the amendment made in the House of Assembly to the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, a supplement to the act entitled, an act relative to the probate of wills, passed 6th March, 1828,"

And have ordered the same re-engrossed.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to establish common schools, passed March 1st, 1838,"

Was taken up on the second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Ryerson, was postponed till Tuesday next.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed to Tuesday morning.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to regulate the draws of the bridges now erected or to be erected over the Passaic river,"

Was taken up, and the further consideration thereof postponed till Monday afternoon.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Green, the further consideration thereof was postponed for the present.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, passed the 13th February, 1828,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the

north ward of Perth Amboy and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784,"

Was taken up, and the amendments made by the committee to whom the same was recommitted, read and agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sarah Tomlinson from her husband, David B. Tomlinson,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the last will and testament of Joseph Hedger, deceased,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and

On motion of Mr. Snowdon, the further consideration thereof was postponed for the present.

Mr. Demarest offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on Monday next, at three o'clock;

Which, after some discussion, was withdrawn by the mover.

Mr. Maskell offered the following:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Wednesday, the 22d instant;

And the said resolution being out of order, the House refused to consider it.

The bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the erection of two fire proof buildings on the yard of the state-house in Trenton,"

Was taken up, and being a public bill, was made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill entitled,

"An act to raise by tax the sum of forty thousand dollars,"

Being a public bill, was taken up, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Mercer Cemetery of Trenton,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and while the same was under consideration

The House adjourned till three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

A quorum not being present, the House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY, February 20.

At ten o'clock the House met.

A quorom not appearing, the House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a remonstrance from citizens of Hoboken, against the application of the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery, for a supplement to their charter;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Brown presented a petition from citizens of the township of Woodbridge, praying a law to authorize the township committee of the township of Woodbridge to take charge of the public property belonging to said township;

Which was read, and referred to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Bonnell offered the following:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Tuesday, the 24th instant;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Mercer cemetery of Trenton,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Whitney, the House dispensed with the rule which requires that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"An act to raise by tax the sum of forty thousand dollars;"

Which was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d of March, 1835;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d of March, 1835,"

Was taken up, read by its title, ordered to have a second reading, and referred to the committee on corporations.

On motion of Mr. Ryerson, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as requires that all public bills shall be read in committee of the whole, to take up the bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the erection of two fire proof buildings on the yard of the state-house, in Trenton,"

Which was taken up, read, and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 21.

At ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum presented a petition from citizens of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, praying that the law authorizing the voting by ballot in said township may not be repealed;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a remonstrance from the owners of the Hoboken ferry against the passage of the bill entitled, "a supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery;"

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a remonstrance from the inhabitants of Hudson county against the application of the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery, for a supplement to their charter;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other buildings within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d day of March, 1835,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Irons offered the following:

Resolved, That this House tender to Mr. Bonen, a graduate from the Boston institution for the education of the blind, the use of the Assembly room on Wednesday evening, the 22d instant, for the purpose of lecturing on the manner of educating the blind in this country, England and elsewhere;

Which was read and adopted.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the township of Lafayette, in the county of Sussex,"

Was taked up, and postponed till the next session of the legislature.

The re-engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Brinly,	Flomerfelt,	Potter,
Brown,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Clark,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Harrison,	Stephens,
Cook,	Irons,	Ware,
Cory,	Kline,	Winter,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Zabriskie—26.
Dawes,	Mattison,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Richards,	Messrs. Van Houten;
Bonnell,	Ridgway,	Van Boskerck,
Field,	Robins;	Voorhees,
Hynard,	Ryerson,	Warne,
Jacobus,	Schenck,	Wheaton;
Lum,	N. Smith,	Whitney,
Mount,	Snowdon,	Willets—22.
Reynolds,		

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to the creation of a fund for the erection of a state lunatic asylum,

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this joint resolution pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Congar, Mr. S. C. Smith, Mr. Willets—3.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Irons,	Schenck,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Brown,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Clark,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Cook,	Maskell,	Voorhees,
Cory,	Mattison,	Ware,
Cooper,	Mount,	Warne,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Potter,	Whitney,
Field,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Flomerfelt,	Ridgway,	Winter,
Green,	Robins,	Zabriskie—43.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to provide for the erection of two fire proof buildings on the yard of the state-house in Trenton,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Richards,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Ryerson,
Bonnell,	Jacobus,	N. Smith,
Clark,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Field,	Reynolds,	Whitney—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Demarest,
Brown,	Cooper,	Flomerfelt,

Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. Schenck,	Messrs. Warne,
Maskell,	S. C. Smith,	Wildrick,
Mattison,	Stephens,	Winter,
Ridgway,	Ware,	Zabriskie—19.
Satterthwait,		

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,
"An act to raise by tax the sum of forty thousand dollars,"
Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.
Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	Schenck,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Brown,	Kline,	Stephens,
Clark,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Potter,	Whitney,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Richards,	Willets,
Field,	Ridgway,	Winter,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Zabriskie—45.

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,
"An act to incorporate the Mercer cemetery of Trenton,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Kline,	N. Smith,
Baldwin,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Brinly,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Clark,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Demarest,	Potter,	Warne,
Field,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ridgway,	Wildrick,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	Willets,
Harrison,	Ryerson,	Winter,
Hynard,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—46.
Irons,		

NAY.

Mr. Ware—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Kline,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Mount,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Van Houten,
Green,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Harrison,	Robins,	Willets—29.
Jacobus,	Ryerson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Brinly,	Irons,	Warne,
Clark,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Winter,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—22.
Field,		

The bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to be erected over the Passaic river,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Schenck moved to reconsider the vote on the final passage of the bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Robins,
Brinly,	Harrison,	Ryerson,
Brown,	Irons,	Satterthwait,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Schenck,
Congar,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Ware,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Potter,	Winter,
Flomerfelt,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—38.
Green,	Richards,	

NAYS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Voorhees,
Baker,	Mount,	Warne,
Bonnell,	Ridgway,	Whitney,
Field,	Van Houten,	Willets—12.

So the motion to reconsider was agreed to, and the further consideration of said bill postponed till to-morrow morning.

The reports of the majority and minority of the judiciary committee on the revision of the constitution being the order of the day, were taken up and postponed till this afternoon.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish common schools, passed March 1st, 1838,"

Was taken up, read and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein named,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Union, in the county of Essex, and the inhabitants of the township of Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act respecting poor lunatics and idiots,"

Was taken up, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the House dispensed with so much of the rules as requires that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and read in committee of the whole, in order to take up the bill from Council entitled,

"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces;"

Which was read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the administrators of James Stoy, deceased, to convey certain real estate,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed and have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Raritan mining company,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, the amendments ordered to be engrossed, and the said bill to have a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Boskerck presented a memorial from the President of the Jersey City and Harsimus cemetery, praying that their application for a supplement to their charter may be granted;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the petition praying that trespassing with guns may be made an indictable offence, reported that the legislation prayed for is inexpedient.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Patterson,. from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Hudson county, praying the repeal of the third section of the act incorporating said county, reported against the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Patterson, from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Josiah Congar, deceased, praying for a law to sell certain real estate, reported a bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, formerly of Josiah Congar, deceased;

Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Cory called up the resolution offered by him some days since on the subject of postage, which was read as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be appropriated to each member of the present legislature, to defray the expenses of their postage.

Which was so amended as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of eight dollars be appropriated to each member, and the clerks of the present legislature, to defray the expenses of their postage.

And the question being upon the resolution as amended, it was not agreed to.

Mr. Bonnell called up the resolution offered by him yesterday as follows:

Resolved, That this House will adjourn *sine die* on Friday next, the 24th instant;

Which was read and adopted.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at nine o'clock, and that that be the morning hour of assembling during the remainder of the session;

Which was read and adopted.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware bridge company, passed March 5th, 1832,"

Was taken up, and recommitted to the special committee on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, passed the 13th February, 1828,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Wildrick,
Clark,	Dickinson,	Winter,
Cory,	Patterson,	Zabriskie—11.
Dawes,	Ware,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. French,
Baker,	Butcher,	Green,
Baldwin,	Cook,	Halsey, (Sp.)

Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Hynard,	Oliphant,	Snowdon,
Irons,	Potter,	Van Boskerck,
Jacobus,	Reynolds,	Van Houten,
Kline,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Lum,	Robins,	Wheaton,
Maskell,	Satterthwait,	Whitney,
Mattison,	Schenck,	Willets—33.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Sarah Tomlinson from her husband, David B. Tomlinson,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Baker,	Field,	Robins,
Baldwin,	Flomerfelt,	Schenck,
Brinly,	French,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Jacobus,	Ware,
Clark,	Kline,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Maskell,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Mattison,	Willets,
Demarest,	Mount,	Winter—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Van Boskerck,
Green,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Richards,	Voorhees,
Harrison,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—18.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed 24th February, 1797,"

Was taken up, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The reports of the majority and minority of the judiciary committee on the revision of the constitution were taken up and postponed until to-morrow morning.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hoboken land and improvement company, passed February 21st, 1838;"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize Squire Terrell and William D. Stewart, trustees, &c., to deliver up to be cancelled, a certain bond or note therein named,"

Was taken up, read a second time and amended, the amendments ordered to be engrossed, and the said bill to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act respecting the Paterson and Ramapo railroad company,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day was dispensed with, and the said bill from Council entitled,

"An act respecting the Paterson and Ramapo railroad company."

Was taken up and read a third time.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d of March, 1835,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Deacon, the rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day was dispensed with to take up said bill on its third reading.

And the said bill having been read a third time.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Cook,	Oliphant,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Reynolds,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Ridgway,	Whitney—28.
Demarest,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ware,
Brown,	Ium,	Warne,
Butcher,	Maskell,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Field,	Robins,	Winter,
French,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—18.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize repairs to the New Jersey state arsenal,"

Was taken up, read a second time and amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, an act relative to holding township elections by ballot in the township of Woodbridge,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to establish a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Harrison,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the last will and testament of Joseph Hedger, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the inhabitants of the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Ann Wilson, of the county of Mercer, from her husband, John Wilson,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Winter, from the special committee, to whom was recommitted the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware bridge company, passed March 5th, 1832,"

Reported the same to the House with an amendment, which was read and agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lum, the final passage of the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other buildings within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d day of March, 1835,"

Was reconsidered.

The House adjourned to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 22.

At nine o'clock the House met.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Jonathan Beach, deceased, late of the county of Essex,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates to regulate the jurisdiction of the Prerogative Court, and to establish an Orphans' Court in the several counties of this state,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Richards,
Baldwin,	Field,	Robins,
Bonnell,	Flomerfelt,	Ryerson,
Brinly,	French,	Satterthwait,
Brown,	Green,	Schenck,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Hynard,	Stephens,
Conover,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Kline,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Lum,	Wheaton,
Cooper,	Mount,	Whitney,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Willets,
Deacon,	Potter,	Winter,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—45.

NAYS.

Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Warne,
Maskell,	Ware,	Wildrick—6.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware bridge company, passed March 5th, 1832,

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to confirm the last will and testament of Joseph Hedger, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Potter,
Brown,	French,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Maskell,	Ware—9.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Schenck,
Brinly,	Kline,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Conover,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Dawes,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Deacon,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Richards,	Whitney,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Green,	Ryerson,	Winter,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—34.
Hynard,		

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize Squire Terrell and William D. Stewart, trustees, &c., to deliver up to be cancelled, a certain note or bond therein named,"

Was taken up, and read a third time with the amendments made in the House of Assembly, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill with an amendment, and request their assent thereto.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize repairs to the New Jersey state arsenal,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to be erected over the Passaic river,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Irons,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Kline,	Voorhees,
Butcher,	Lum,	Ware,
Clark,	Mattison,	Warne,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Potter,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Ryerson,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Schenck,	Winter,
Flomerfelt,	S. C. Smith,	Zabriskie—31.
Hynard,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Reynolds,
Baker,	French,	Richards,
Baldwin,	Green,	Robins,
Congar,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Cook,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Cory,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Whitney—23.
Deacon,	Patterson,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the charters of certain banks therein named,"

Was taken up, read a third time as amended in Council.

Upon the question, shall this re-engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. Potter,
Bonnell,	Field,	Robins
Brinly,	Flomerfelt,	Ryerson,
Brown,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Butcher,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Schenck,
Clark,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Irons,	Stephens,
Conover,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Kline,	Van Houten,
Cory,	Lum,	Ware,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Winter,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Zabriskie—42.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. Whitney,
French,	N. Smith,	Willets—8.
Hynard,	Voorhees,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made to said bill in Council, and have ordered the same to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Elizabeth M. L. Hossack, and her husband, Alexander E. Hossack,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Butcher,	Messrs. Congar,
Brinly,	Clark,	Conover,

Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Oliphant,
Dawes,	Flomerfelt,	Ware,
Demarest,	Irons,	Wheaton—17.
Dickinson,	Mount,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Schenck,
Baldwin,	Kline,	N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Lum,	S. C. Smith,
Brown,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
French,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Green,	Robins,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Wildrick,
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—34.
Hynard,		

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the treasurer of this state be and he is hereby empowered and directed to repay to the President of the Monmouth bank, one hundred and twenty-five dollars, the amount of tax upon the capital stock of said bank paid into the treasury on the 24th day of January last;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act authorizing the inhabitants of the township of Monroe, in the county of Middlesex, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Cooper,	Messrs. Halsey,(Sp.)
Baldwin,	Deacon,	Jacobus,
Brinly,	Dickinson,	Kline,
Congar,	Flomerfelt,	Lum,
Cook,	Green,	Maskell,

Messrs. Mount,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Potter,	Snowdon,	Voorhees,
Richards,	Stephens,	Whitney,
Robins,	Van Boskerck,	Willets—28.
Ryerson,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Srope,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Clark,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Patterson,	Winter,
Dawes,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—23.
Demarest,	Schenck,	

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to divorce Ann Wilson, of the county of Mercer, from her husband, John Wilson,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Srope,
Brown,	Irons,	Ware,
Butcher,	Kline,	Warne,
Conover,	Mount,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Field,	Schenck,	Willets—20.
Flomerfelt,	N. Smith,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Cook,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Patterson,	Voorhees,
Dickinson,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Ryerson,	Winter,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—27.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills entitled,

"An act to prevent horse racing in the county of Gloucester;"

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Dennis, in the county of Cape May to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings;"

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act authorizing the enclosure of a certain tract of land situated in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called the Hetfied swamp, passed the 28th day of January, 1829,"

Without amendment;

And have disagreed to the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning taxes."

The bills from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Dennis, in the county of Cape May, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings," and

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings,"

Were severally taken up, read by their titles, and referred to the committee on elections.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to prevent horse racing in the county of Gloucester,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and referred to the special committee on that subject.

Another message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly, that Council have passed the bills entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th of March, 1798;"

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estates of debtors

who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors, passed the 23d of February, 1824;"

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act directing bills of exceptions to be sealed, passed 7th March, 1797;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have passed the bills from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act for the relief of John Beam of the county of Hunterdon,"

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning sheriffs, passed the 18th of March, 1796,"

"An act to incorporate the temperance beneficial society of Bordentown, New Jersey," and the

Joint resolution from the Assembly to authorize the treasurer to borrow money,

Severally without amendment.

The bills from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th day of March, 1798,"

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors, passed 23d of February, 1820," and

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act directing exceptions to be sealed, passed 7th day of March, 1797,"

Were severally taken up, read by their titles, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Snowdon, from the select committee, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to prevent horse racing in the county of Gloucester,"
Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Baker, from the committee on incidental expenses, reported a bill entitled,
"An act to defray incidental expenses;"
Which was read by its title, and ordered to have a second reading.

Mr. Willets from the committee on elections, to whom was referred the bills from Council entitled,
"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings," and
"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Dennis, in the county of Cape May, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"
Reported said bills to the House without amendment.

Mr. Mount asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application of Mrs. Karesboom for a divorce.

Mr. Congar offered the following:
Resolved, (Council concurring) That the sum of seven dollars be appropriated to each member of Council and General Assembly, secretary of Council and clerk of Assembly, to defray their postage during the present session of this legislature;
Which was read, and on motion of Mr. Jacobus, amended by striking out "seven" in the first line, and inserting "five;"
And the resolution, as amended, was adopted.
Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Congar moved that so much of the rules of the House as requires that all public bills shall be made the order of a particular day, and read in committee of the whole, and also that no bill shall be read twice on the same day, be dispensed with for the remainder of the session;
Which was agreed to.

The engrosed bill entitled,
"An act to authorize the executors of Jacob Kay, deceased, to pay certain money to Josiah Kay,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Robins,
Butcher,	Harrison,	N. Smith,
Clark,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Irons,	Srope,
Conover,	Jacobus,	Warne,
Cory,	Lum,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Maskell,	Wildrick,
Dickinson,	Oliphant,	Willets,
Field,	Patterson,	Winter,
Flomerfelt,	Potter,	Zabriskie—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Brown,	Richards,	Van Houten,
Dawes,	Ryerson,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Satterthwait,	Ware—17.
Kline,	Schenck,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to repeal the act entitled, an act relative to holding township elections by ballot in the township of Woodbridge,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Dickinson,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Field,	Srope,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Ware,
Clark,	Irons,	Warne,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Winter,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey,(Sp.)	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Cook,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Deacon,	Potter,	Whitney,
French,	Richards,	Willets—26.
Green,	Robins,	

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Union, in the county of Essex, and the inhabitants of the township of Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Kline,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Lum,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Demarest,	Mount,	Voorhees,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Whitney,
Flomerfelt,	Richards,	Willets—32.
French,	Robins,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Hynard,	Srope,
Butcher,	Irons,	Ware,
Clark,	Mattison,	Warne,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—21.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to

Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,
"An act to incorporate the Raritan mining company,"
Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Potter,
Baker,	French,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Green,	Satterthwait,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Snowdon,
Congar,	Harrison,	Srope,
Cook,	Irons,	Stephens,
Deacon,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerck,
Dickinson,	Lum,	Voorhees—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Maskell,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Butcher,	Mattison,	Van Houten,
Clark,	Mount,	Ware,
Conover,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cooper,	Richards,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Robins,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Schenck,	Winter,
Field,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—25.
Hynard,		

The bill from Council entitled,
"An act further supplementary to an act entitled, an act concerning divorces,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Congar,	Messrs. Field,
Baker,	Cook,	Flomerfelt,
Baldwin,	Cooper,	Green,
Bonnell,	Dawes,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Clark,	Deacon,	Harrison,

Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Richards,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Jacobus,	Robins,	Van Boskerck,
Kline,	Ryerson,	Voorhees,
Lum,	Satterthwait,	Ware,
Maskell,	S. C. Smith,	Wheaton,
Mount,	Snowdon,	Whitney,
Patterson,	Stephens,	Willets—37.
Potter,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. Warne,
Butcher,	N. Smith,	Wildrick,
French,	Srope,	Winter—10.
Mattison,		

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Hoboken land and improvement company, passed February 21st, 1838,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d of March, 1835,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. Dickinson,
Baldwin,	Cook,	Green,
Clark,	Cooper,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Congar,	Deacon,	Harrison,

Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Potter,	Messrs. Stephens,
Irons,	Richards,	Van Boskerck,
Jacobus,	Ryerson,	Van Houten,
Maskell,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Mount,	N. Smith,	Whitney,
Oliphant,	S. C. Smith,	Zabriskie—32.
Patterson,	Snowdon,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Wheaton,
Field,	Ware,	Willets,
Flomerfelt,	Warne,	Winter—10.
French,		

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act respecting poor lunatics and idiots,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The rule which provides that no bill shall be read twice on the same day having been dispensed with, the said bill

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bills from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors, passed February 23d, 1820," and

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act directing bills of exceptions to be sealed, passed 7th day of March, 1797,"

Reported said bills to the House without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed February 24th, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The reports of the majority and minority of the judiciary committee on the subject of the revision of the constitution, being the order of the day, were taken up and considered, and the question being upon agreeing to the report of the majority, the concluding resolution was read as follows:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House, an amendment of the constitution is not demanded by the people; that the legislation prayed for by the petitioners is at this time inexpedient; and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

And the question being upon agreeing to said majority report, and adopting the resolution,

The yeas and nays were called and ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Jacobus,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
French,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Green,	Robins,	Whitney,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Willets—28.
Harrison,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brown,	Dickinson,	Srope,
Butcher,	Field,	Ware,
Clark,	Hynard,	Warne,
Congar,	Irons,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Winter,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Zabriskie—24.

So the report was agreed to, and the resolution adopted.

The bill entitled,

"An act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state,"

Was taken up on its second reading, when

Mr. Whitney moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill to the next session of the legislature.

And the yeas and nays being called, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Flomerfelt,
Dickinson,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
French,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Green,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	Willets—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Schenck,
Brown,	Field,	N. Smith,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	Srope,
Clark,	Hynard,	Ware,
Congar,	Irons,	Warne,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Winter,
Deacon,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—27.

So the motion to postpone to the next legislature was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the further consideration of said bill was postponed until to-morrow morning.

The bill entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, formerly of Josiah Congar, deceased,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The same bill having been engrossed, was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Conover,
Baldwin,	Butcher,	Congar,

Messrs Cook,	Messrs. Lum,	Messrs. S. C. Smith,
Cory,	Maskell,	Snowdon,
Cooper,	Mattison,	Stephens,
Deacon,	Oliphant,	Van Boskerck,
Demarest,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Field,	Richards,	Ware,
Flomerfelt,	Robins,	Warne,
Halsey, (Sp.)	Ryerson,	Wheaton,
Harrison,	Satterthwait,	Wildrick,
Hynard,	Schenck,	Willets,
Irons,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—42.

NAY.

Mr. Dawes—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to prevent horse racing in the county of Gloucester,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estate of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors, passed 23d February, 1820,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act directing bills of exceptions to be sealed, passed 7th day of March, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the sale of the real estate of Jonathan Beach, deceased, late of the county of Essex,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The same bill was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The House adjourned till nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 23.

At nine o'clock the House met.

Mr. Lum, from the committee on agriculture, to whom was referred No. 20 of unfinished business, being the bill entitled,

"A act for the promotion of agriculture in the state of New Jersey,"

Reported against said bill.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Jacobus, from the committee to whom had been referred sundry petitions praying for alterations in the laws relative to slavery, reported as follows:

The committee, to whom was referred sundry petitions on the subject of slavery, have unanimously agreed that action upon that subject at this time is uncalled for, and ask to be discharged from any further duties on that subject.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged.

Mr. Snowdon asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application for a law to confirm the will of Joseph Hedger, deceased.

Mr. Green, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th of March, 1798,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Warren county bank at Philipsburgh, to be located at the town of Philipsburgh, in the county of Warren,"

Was taken up, and postponed to the next session of the legislature.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed 24th February, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Robins,
Baker,	Dickinson,	Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Field,	S. C. Smith,
Bonnell,	Flomerfelt,	Snowdon,
Congar,	French,	Van Houten,
Conover,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Voorhees,
Cook,	Harrison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Hynard,	Whitney,
Cooper,	Lum,	Willets,
Dawes,	Potter,	Zabriskie—32.
Deacon,	Richards,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Brinly,	Messrs. Mattison,	Messrs. Srope,
Brown,	Mount,	Ware,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Green,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Irons,	Schenck,	Winter—17.
Maskell,	Van Boskerck,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for erecting the north ward of Perth Amboy and a part of the township of Woodbridge, in the county of Middlesex, into a city, and for incorporating the same by the name and title of the city of Perth Amboy, passed 21st December, 1784,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Green,	Messrs. Srope,
Bonnell,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Stephens,
Brown,	Harrison,	Van Boskerck,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Van Houten,
Clark,	Irons,	Voorhees,
Congar,	Kline,	Ware,
Conover,	Mattison,	Warne,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Whitney,
Deacon,	Richards,	Wildrick,
Demarest,	Robins,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Schenck,	Winter,
Field,	Snowdon,	Zabriskie—40.
French,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Potter,
Baldwin,	Lum,	Reynolds,
Cook,	Maskell,	S. C. Smith,
Cooper,	Mount,	Ryerson—12.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,
"An act to authorize the administrators of James Stoy, deceased, to convey real estate,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared.
Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Cooper,
Baker,	Clark,	Deacon,
Baldwin,	Congar,	Dickinson,
Bonnell,	Conover,	Field,
Brinly,	Cook,	French,

Messrs. Halsey,(Sp.)	Messrs. Potter,	Messrs. Stephens,
Harrison,	Reynolds,	Van Houten,
Hynard,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Irons,	Robins,	Wheaton,
Jacobus,	Ryerson,	Whitney,
Kline,	Satterthwait,	Wildrick,
Lum,	N. Smith,	Willets,
Maskell,	S. C. Smith,	Winter,
Mattison,	Snowdon,	Zabriskie—44.
Mount,	Van Boskerck,	

NAYS.

Mr. Srope, Mr. Ware—2.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled,
"An act to prevent horse racing in the county of Gloucester,"
Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.
Upon the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Baldwin,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Jacobus,	Snowdon,
Cooper,	Lum,	Stephens,
Deacon,	Maskell,	Van Houten,
Demarest,	Richards,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Satterthwait,	Zabriskie—22.
Flomerfelt,		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. Mattison,
Bonnell,	Cory,	Mount,
Brinly,	Dawes,	Oliphant,
Brown,	Green,	Patterson,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Potter,
Clark,	Irons,	Robins,
Congar,	Kline,	Ryerson,

Messrs. Schenck,	Messrs. Ware,	Messrs. Whitney,
Srope,	Warne,	Wildrick,
Van Boskerck,	Wheaton,	Winter—31.
Voorhees,		

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other buildings within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d day of March, 1835,"

Was taken up, and recommitted to the committee on corporations.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was recommitted said bill, reported the same to the House with an amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees for the benefit of creditors, passed February 23d, 1820,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, 'an act directing bills of exceptions to be sealed, passed 7th day of March, 1797,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Conover,	Messrs. Dickinson,
Baldwin,	Cook,	Field,
Brinly,	Cory,	Flomerfelt,
Butcher,	Cooper,	Green,
Clark,	Deacon,	Halsey, (Sp.)
Congar,	Demarest,	Harrison,

Messrs. Hynard,	Messrs. Potter,	Messrs. Snowdon,
Irons,	Reynolds,	Srope,
Jacobus,	Richards,	Stephens,
Kline,	Robins,	Van Boskerck,
Lum,	Ryerson,	Van Houten,
Maskell,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Mount,	Schenck,	Whitney,
Oliphant,	N. Smith,	Willets,
Patterson,	S. C. Smith,	Zabriskie—45.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Wheaton,
Brown,	Ware,	Winter—6.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to divorce Mary Ann Desbrow, of the county of Middlesex, from her husband, Samuel A. Desbrow;"

Council have agreed to the resolution from the Assembly directing the treasurer of this state to repay to the president of the Monmouth bank one hundred and twenty-five dollars, the amount of tax paid by said president into the treasury on the 24th day of January, 1843.

Council have also passed the following bills from the Assembly,

"An act to raise by tax the sum of forty thousand dollars,"

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to ascertain the power and authority of the ordinary and his surrogates to regulate the jurisdiction of the Prerogative Court, and to establish an Orphans' Court in the several counties of this state,"

Severally without amendment.

Council have also adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Assembly concurring) That his excellency, the Governor, present to the American Athenium at Paris, such of the public laws and documents of this state as he shall select for that purpose;

To which resolution the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested.

I am also directed to inform the House of Assembly that Council have adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the secretary inform the House of Assembly that Council will be ready togo into joint meeting for the appointment of such state and county officers as may be deemed necessary, this afternoon at four o'clock in the Assembly room.

Council have agreed to the amendments made in the House of Assembly to the bill entitled,

"An act to authorize Squire Terrell and William D. Stewart, trustees, &c., to deliver up to be cancelled, a certain note or bond therein named,"

And have ordered the same to be re-engrossed.

The concurrent resolution from Council, as follows:

Resolved, (the Assembly concurring) That his excellency, the Governor present to the American Athenium at Paris, such of the public laws and documents of this state as he shall select for that purpose,

Was taken up, read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to said resolution.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the township of Morris, in the county of Morris, to vote by ballot at their town meetings,"

Was taken up on its second reading, and the second section being under consideration, as follows:

Section 2. And be it enacted, That Richard W. Stites, Isaac Bird, and Theodore Johnes, of the said township, shall be the board of election at the next annual town meeting after the passage of this act, and that thereafter the judge of election, assessor and collector of each year, shall constitute a board of election for the succeeding annual town meeting, and all special town meetings that may be held during the year; and the said board shall be empowered to determine who are by law entitled to vote at such meetings, and shall be vested with the same powers, be liable to the same penalties, and governed by the same rules in conducting the election at such meetings as at the annual county or state election, so far as the same are applicable; and if at any such annual town meeting, two or more assessors or collectors are to be chosen, the voters at such election shall, upon their ballots, designate which of the persons so chosen shall act as one of the judges of election; and only the assessor and collector so designated, shall be deemed and taken to be members of the board of election, within the meaning of this act.

Mr. Patterson moved to strike out the words, "Richard W.

Stites, Isaac Bird, and Theodore Johnes," and insert "the judge of election, assessor and collector";

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Schenck,
Brinly,	Field,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Flomerfelt,	Srope,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Ware,
Clark,	Irons,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Zabriskie—28.
Dawes,	Patterson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Robins,	Willets—31.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The fifth section of said bill being under consideration, as follows:

Section 5. And be it enacted, That the poll shall open at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and close at seven o'clock in the afternoon, on the day appointed by law for holding the annual town meeting, at the house now occupied by Charles Colbath, innkeeper in Morristown, at which place the next annual meeting of the inhabitants of said township shall be held, &c., &c.

Mr. Patterson moved to strike out the words "at the house now occupied by Charles Colbath, innkeeper in Morristown, at which place" and insert "the place where";

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. Schenck,
Brinly,	Field,	N. Smith,
Brown,	Flomerfelt,	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Hynard,	Srope,
Clark,	Irons,	Ware,
Conover,	Mattison,	Wheaton,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Patterson,	Zabriskie—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Congar,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Potter,	Voorhees,
French,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
Green,	Richards,	Willets—29.
Halsey, (Sp.)	Robins,	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

The said bill having been read through and agreed to, it was ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the said bill was taken up, and read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
French,	Richards,	Voorhees,
Green,	Robins,	Willets—31.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Demarest,	Messrs. N. Smith,
Brinly,	Flomerfelt,	Srope,
Brown,	Hynard,	Ware,
Butcher,	Irons,	Warne,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Zabriskie—21.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"A further supplement to the act entitled, an act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned, passed the 3d of March, 1835,"

Was taken up and read with the amendments made by the committee, the amendments agreed to, and the said bill ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The said bill having been engrossed,

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Deacon,	Messrs. Patterson,
Baker,	Demarest,	Reynolds,
Baldwin,	Dickinson,	Ryerson,
Bonnell,	French,	Satterthwait,
Brinly,	Halsey, (Sp.)	S. C. Smith,
Clark,	Harrison,	Snowdon,
Congar,	Irons,	Stephens,
Conover,	Jacobus,	Van Boskerek,
Cook,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Zabriskie—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Brown,	Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Kline,
Butcher,	Flomerfelt,	Maskell,
Cory,	Green,	Potter,
Dawes,	Hynard,	Robins,

Messrs. Schenck,	Messrs. Ware,	Messrs. Wildrick,
Srope,	Warne,	Willets—20.
Voorhees,	Wheaton,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled,

"An act to divorce Stephen Budd from his wife Susan Elizabeth Budd,"

Without amendment.

Council have passed the joint resolution relative to state postage;

To which joint resolution the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The joint resolution from Council relative to state postage,

Was taken up, read, and ordered to have a second reading.

The same was again taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

And the said joint resolution having been read a third time,

Upon the question, shall this joint resolution pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Schenck,
Baker,	Harrison,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Snowdon,
Bonnell,	Irons,	Srope,
Brinly,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Butcher,	Kline,	Van Boskerck,
Congar,	Lum,	Van Houten,
Conover,	Maskell,	Voorhees,
Cook,	Mount,	Ware,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Warne,
Cooper,	Potter,	Whitney,
Dawes,	Reynolds,	Wildrick,
Deacon,	Richards,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Robins,	Winter,
Field,	Ryerson,	Zabriskie—47.
Green,	Satterthwait,	

NAYS.

Mr. Flomerfelt, Mr. Wheaton—2.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said joint resolution without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Dennis, in the county of Cape May to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Willets, the said bill was again taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Halsey, (Sp.)	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Harrison,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cory,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Whitney,
French,	Richards,	Willets—32.
Green,	Robins,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Ware,
Brinly,	Mattison,	Winter,
Butcher,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Dawes,	Schenck,	Wildrick,
Field,	Srope,	Winter—15.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Congar, so much of the sixth rule of the House as provides that a motion to reconsider must be made

upon the same day upon which the question was taken, or upon the succeeding day, was dispensed with, and the House reconsidered the vote upon agreeing to the report of the judiciary committee upon the bill from Council entitled,

"An act to authorize James S. Springer, guardian of Lydia Moore, Robert Moore, Joseph Moore, and Mary Ann Moore, to release their right to certain real estate;"

Which bill was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the said bill was again taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Schenck,
Bonnell,	French,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Halsey, (Sp.)	Snowdon,
Butcher,	Irons,	Srope,
Congar,	Jacobus,	Stephens,
Conover,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Cory,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Cooper,	Patterson,	Ware,
Dawes,	Reynolds,	Wheaton,
Demarest,	Robins,	Willets,
Dickinson,	Ryerson,	Winter—33

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Kline,	Messrs. Voorhees,
Deacon,	Mattison,	Warne,
Field,	Mount,	Wildrick,
Green,	Potter,	Zabriskie—13
Harrison,		

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill entitled,

"An act to defray incidental expenses,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Mount asked and obtained leave to withdraw the papers relative to the application of E. L. M. Hossack for a divorce.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th day of March, 1798,"

Was taken up, and on motion Mr. Congar, postponed till this afternoon.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet this afternoon at two o'clock.

On motion the House adjourned.

At two o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bill entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Council have agreed to the resolution from the Assembly directing the agent appointed by the Governor to pay into the state treasury the amount of money received, and what may be received from the General Government, for the use of the state.

Council have disagreed to the bill from the Assembly entitled,

"An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, and to prevent frauds."

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up, read by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Ryerson called up the preamble and concurrent resolution from Council, as follows:

Whereas, a number of the inhabitants of the county of Bergen, in this state, have presented a petition to the legislature, setting forth that they are now, and have been for a number of years engaged in a lawful trade with some of the inhabitants of the state of Virginia. That in carrying on such trade, the vessels of the petitioners and those in which they are interested are obliged to sail through waters within the jurisdiction of the state of New York. That the legislature of Virginia has passed a law which subjects to inspection all vessels sailing from that state to any place in the state of New York, or to any other place which can only be reached by sailing through waters within the jurisdiction of New York, and by compelling the owners or masters of all such vessels to pay certain fees of inspection, the payment of which fees the petitioners aver operates as an onerous tax upon them which calls loudly for redress. The petitioners further set forth that the law of Virginia (as they believe) was passed by way of retaliation for an alleged breach of good faith on the part of the executive of the state of New York, in refusing to deliver up to the executive of the state of Virginia, upon a requisition made by him for that purpose, certain persons who were claimed as fugitives from justice. The petitioners further set forth that they desire to say nothing as to the matter in controversy between the states of Virginia and New York, but nevertheless protest against the law of Virginia as it now exists, because it works gross injustice to the citizens of an unoffending state, against whose authority no cause of complaint is pretended to exist; and the petitioners having prayed that the legislature will pass a resolution requesting and authorizing the Governor of this state to open an official correspondence with the Governor of Virgina, urging upon him the propriety of having the law of Virginia so modified as to exempt vessels owned by citizens of this state from the operation of the said law, and that he use his influence with the legislature of Virginia to adopt such modification.

And whereas, it appears to the legislature that the petitioners are much aggrieved by the operation of the law of Virginia aforesaid, and that all proper means should be used to relieve them if possible from the same. Therefore—

Resolved by the Council, (the House of Assembly concurring) That his excellency, the Governor of this state, be, and he is hereby authorized and respectfully requested to open an official correspondence with his excellency, the Governor of the state of Virginia, urging upon him the propriety of having the law complained of so modified as to exempt vessels owned by citizens of this state, and trading to the state of Virginia,

from the operation of said law, and that he use his influence with the legislature of that state to adopt such modification;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to said resolution without amendment.

Mr. Van Boskerck, from the committee on corporations, to whom was referred the petition of the president and directors of the Reiglesville Delaware bridge company, praying for a supplement to their charter, reported against the prayer of the petitioners.

The report was agreed to, and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Patterson, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom had been referred the bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for preventing the injury of illegal confinement and better securing the liberty of the people, passed 11th March, 1795,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

Mr. Van Boskerck called up the following resolution:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That two copies of Elmer's digest be furnished by the librarian to the township of North Bergen, in the county of Hudson; one copy for the assessor and collector for their common use, and one copy for the overseers of the poor for their common use;

Which was amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That one copy of Elmer's digest be furnished to the township of North Bergen, in the county of Hudson, for the use of the officers of said township:

Which was adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for preventing the injury of illegal confinement and better securing the liberty of the people, passed March 11th, 1795,"

Was taken up, the printing dispensed with, and the said bill read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed March 8th, 1798,"

Was taken up, and on motion of Mr. Congar, postponed to the next session of the legislature.

Mr. Willets from the committee on elections, to whom had been referred the bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Reported the same to the House without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to regulate elections,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Willets, the said bill was again taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison.	Messrs. Ryerson,
Baker,	Jacobus,	Satterthwait,
Baldwin,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Congar,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Maskell,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Robins,	Willets—31.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Flomerfelt,	Messrs. Srope,
Brinly,	Hynard,	Ware,
Brown,	Mattison,	Warne,
Clark,	Oliphant,	Wheaton,
Conover,	Patterson,	Wildrick,
Cory,	Schenck,	Winter,
Dawes,	N. Smith,	Zabriskie—23.
Demarest,	Throckmorton,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled, an act for preventing the injury of illegal confinement, and better securing the liberty of the people, passed the 11th March, 1795,"

Was taken up, read a third time, and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. French,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Halsey, (Sp.)	N. Smith,
Bonnell,	Hynard,	S. C. Smith,
Brinly,	Irons,	Snowdon,
Clark,	Jacobus,	Srope,
Congar,	Maskell,	Throckmorton,
Conover,	Mount,	Van Boskerck,
Cooper,	Oliphant,	Van Houten,
Deacon,	Potter,	Voorhees,
Demarest,	Reynolds,	Whitney—32.
Field,	Richards,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Robins,	Messrs. Warne,	Messrs. Willets,
Schenck,	Wheaton,	Zabriskie—8.
Ware,	Wildrick,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"An act to defray incidental expenses,"

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messers. Allen,	Messrs. Congar,	Messrs. Dickinson,
Baker,	Cook,	Field,
Baldwin,	Cory,	Flomerfelt,
Bonnell,	Cooper,	French,
Brinly,	Deacon,	Green,
Clark,	Demarest,	Halsey, (Sp.)

Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Robins,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Irons,	Ryerson,	Van Boskerck,
Jacobus,	Satterthwait,	Voorhees,
Kline,	N. Smith,	Wheaton,
Lum,	S. C. Smith,	Whitney,
Maskell,	Snowdon,	Wildrick,
Oliphant,	Stephens,	Willets,
Reynolds,	Throckmorton,	Zabriskie—43.
Richards,		

NAY.

Mr. Warne—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

The bill entitled,

"An act to ascertain the sense of the people in regard to the propriety of calling a convention to alter or revise the constitution of this state,"

Was taken up, when

Mr. Richards moved to postpone said bill to the next session of the legislature.

And the yeas and nays being called thereon, were ordered, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Satterthwait,
Baker,	Jacobus,	S. C. Smith,
Baldwin,	Kline,	Snowdon,
Cook,	Lum,	Stephens,
Cooper,	Maskell,	Van Boskerck,
Deacon,	Potter,	Van Houten,
Dickinson,	Reynolds,	Voorhees,
French,	Richards,	Whitney,
Green,	Robins,	Willets—28.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

NAYS.

Messrs. Bonnell,	Messrs. Clark,	Messrs. Cory,
Brinly,	Congar,	Dawes,
Brown,	Conover,	Demarest,

Messrs. Field,	Messrs. Patterson,	Messrs. Ware,
Flomerfelt,	Ryerson,	Warne,
Hynard,	Schenck,	Wheaton,
Irons,	N. Smith,	Wildrick,
Mattison,	Srope,	Winter,
Oliphant,	Throckmorton,	Zabriskie—27.

So the motion was agreed to, and the said bill postponed to the next session of the legislature.

On motion of Mr. Congar, the House then proceeded to make nominations for the several offices of the state and of the counties, either vacant, or the terms of service of whose incumbents are about to expire; and after some time spent therein, the list of nominations was completed.

Ordered, That the clerk furnish Council with a copy thereof.

The engrossed bill entitled,

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish public schools, passed March 1st, 1838,'

Was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this engrossed bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen,	Messrs. Harrison,	Messrs. Richards,
Baldwin,	Hynard,	Robins,
Congar,	Irons,	Satterthwait,
Cook,	Jacobus,	N. Smith,
Cooper,	Kline,	S. C. Smith,
Deacon,	Lum,	Snowdon,
Demarest,	Oliphant,	Van Beskerck,
Dickinson,	Patterson,	Van Houten,
Field,	Potter,	Willets,
French,	Reynolds,	Zabriskie—31.
Halsey, (Sp.)		

NAYS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Dawes,	Messrs. Voorhees,
Bonnell,	Flomerfelt,	Ware,
Brinly,	Green,	Warne,
Brown,	Mount,	Wildrick,
Butcher,	Srope,	Winter—17.
Conover,	Stephens,	

Ordered, that the speaker sign said bill, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills from the Assembly entitled,

"An act to divorce Eliza Coddington from her husband, Benjamin Coddington,"

"An act to divorce Sarah Tomlinson from her husband, David B. Tomlinson,"

"An act to authorize the administrators of James Stoy, deceased, to convey real estate,"

"An act to divorce Mary Ackerson from her husband, Daniel Ackerson,"

"An act to incorporate the Mercer cemetery at Trenton,"

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate, formerly of Josiah Congar, deceased," and

"An act to defray incidental expenses,"

Severally without amendment.

Council have disagreed to the bill from the House of Asbly entitled,

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act concerning inns and taverns, passed 24th February, 1797.

Council have agreed to the resolution from the Assembly to furnish the township of North Bergen, in the county of Hudson, with one copy of Elmer's digest.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That the librarian be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place in the library in the supreme court room, such law reports as have been or may hereafter be received from other states;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

Another message from Council by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have finished their list of nominations, and herewith transmit a duplicate of the same.

Mr. Butcher offered the following:

Resolved, That the sum of five dollars be appropriated to

each member of the General Assembly, and to the clerk of Assembly, to defray their postage during the present session of this legislature;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Congar offered the following:

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at eight o'clock;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into joint meeting, and await the presence of Council in the Assembly room.

Council came into the Assembly room, and the two houses went into joint meeting, and after some time spent therein, the joint meeting rose, and the House came to order.

The House adjourned to eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 24.

At eight o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potter, from the committee on the militia, presented the following report:

CAPT. DANIEL BAKER—SIR:—We, the undersigned joint committee of the militia of Council and General Assembly of this state, upon the furtherance of our duties, which led us to examine and pass in review the state and condition of the armory and arsenal of this state, now under your immediate superintendance, and can hereby consider it our duty in expression of our delight, as was produced upon said examination, to testify to you our expressions of thanks for the pride manifest in the good order, system and arrangement discoverable in the condition of the arms, ordinance and accoutrements entrusted to your care, and in this consideration would think it any thing but proper to withhold our approbations from this testimony of our thankful obligations as due to you in the discharge and performance of

duties necessarily devolving on you, and made obligatory for a proper discharge and performance of duty as required.

C. J. IHRIE,
DAVID WHITAKER,
GEORGE WOOLSEY, } *Committee of Council.*

JONATHAN POTTER,
NATHANIEL ROBINS,
ADRIAN R. VAN HOUTEN,
AB'M WILDRICK,
ISAAC BONNELL, } *Committee of Council.*

TRENTON, February 23, 1843.

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Baker offered the following joint resolution:

Be it resolved, by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to pay out of the treasury any moneys appropriated by the act entitled, "an act to defray incidental expenses," passed February 23d, 1843, where the services or articles in the said act specified, have been paid for under or by virtue of any special act or resolution, or under or by virtue of any other authority whatever;

Which was read, and ordered to have a second reading.

And the same was again taken up and read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green, the concurrent resolution passed in the House of Assembly, and amended in Council, to furnish the township of Hamilton, in the county of Mercer, with Elmer's digest, was taken up, and the amendment made in Council agreed to, and the said resolution adopted, as follows:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That one copy of Elmer's digest be furnished to the township of Hamilton, in the county of Mercer, by the librarian, for the common use of the officers of said township.

Mr. Ryerson offered the following:

Resolved, (Council concurring) That one copy of Elmer's digest be appropriated for the use of the township officers of the township of West Milford, in the county of Passaic;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said resolution, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have agreed to the resolution from the Assembly directing the librarian to place in the library in the supreme court room, such law reports as have been, or may hereafter be received from other states.

Council have passed the bills from the Assembly entitled,

"An act regulating the draws of the bridges now erected, or to erected over the Passaic river,"

"A further supplement to an act entitled, an act to incorporate the Belvidere Delaware bridge company, passed the 5th day of March, 1832,"

Severally without amendment.

Council have agreed to the resolution from the Assembly, furnishing the township of Caldwell, in Essex, and the township of Dover, in Monmouth county, with a copy of Elmer's digest;

And have disagreed to the resolution from the Assembly relative to appropriating five dollars for postage to each of the members of Council and Assembly.

Council have passed a joint resolution relative to brigade inspectors;

To which joint resolution the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The joint resolution from Council relative to the pay of brigade inspectors,

Was taken up, read a first and second time, and ordered to have a third reading.

The same was again taken up on its third reading, read and compared.

Upon the question, shall this joint resolution pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baker,	Messrs. Cory,	Messrs. Hynard,
Baldwin,	Cooper,	Irons,
Bonnell,	Dawes,	Jacobus,
Brinly,	Deacon,	Kline,
Brown,	Dickinson,	Lum,
Butcher,	Field,	Maskell,
Conover,	French,	Mattison,
Cook,	Green,	Mount,

Messrs. Oliphant,	Messrs. N. Smith,	Messrs. Van Houten,
Patterson,	S. C. Smith,	Voorhees,
Reynolds,	Snowdon,	Ware,
Richards,	Stephens,	Warne,
Robins,	Throckmorton,	Willets,
Schenck,	Van Boskerck,	Zabriskie—42.

NAY.

Mr. Potter—1.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, and the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said joint resolution without amendment.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to the incidental bill was taken up, read a third time and compared.

Upon the question, shall this joint resolution pass?

It was decided in the affirmative by the votes of all the members present.

Ordered, that the speaker sign the same, the clerk carry it to Council, and inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said joint resolution and request their concurrence.

Mr. Patterson offered the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this House are due, and hereby are tendered to the Hon. Samuel B. Halsey, for the courteous, able, and dignified manner, in which as speaker, he has presided over the proceedings of the General Assembly, and discharged the duties of his office during the past and present sittings of the legislature, and for his gentlemanly and impartial bearing towards his political opponents;

Which was read, and the question being put by the clerk, it was unanimously adopted.

To which the speaker replied, as follows:

GENTLEMEN:—The very acceptable manner in which you have been pleased to express your approbation of my conduct as speaker, has laid me under renewed obligations to acknowledge and reciprocate your kind feelings toward me.

I do reciprocate them most cordially. During the short period we have spent together, our intercourse has been of the most friendly character; in no case, so far as I know, marred by a single painful or unpleasant occurrence.

Your promises of aid and support, which induced me to undertake the duties of this chair, have been fully realized, and in the most efficient and agreeable manner.

The uniform courtesy of your deportment toward me and toward each other, your prompt and persevering attention to the public business, and your marked respect for the representative character of your fellow members, have at all times clearly shown your deep consciousness of the high and important trusts committed to your care, and of your solemn obligations to discharge them with fidelity and decorum.—Under these circumstances, my duties have been light and pleasant, and you have been enabled to dispose of all the business presented to you for legislative action in a speedy and satisfactory manner, and to bring this session to its close at an unusually early day. In this last respect, at least, you will meet the approbation of your constituents, and I trust that in all you have done here, you will have credit with them for having honestly endeavored to promote the public welfare.

We are now about to separate. In parting, gentlemen, I tender most sincerely to each one of you, my best wishes for your future prosperity and happiness.

Mr. Winter offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the General Assembly tender to Alexander G. Cattell their thanks for the indefatigable, faithful, and uniformly courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of clerk of this House, during the past and present sittings of this legislature;

Which was read by the speaker and unanimously adopted.

Whereupon the clerk acknowledged the complement, and returned his thanks to the House.

Mr. N. Smith offered the following:

Resolved, That in view of the faithful, efficient, and obliging manner in which Daniel D. Britton, the sergeant-at-arms of this House has discharged his various duties during the past and present sittings of this legislature, the members of the General Assembly tender to him their grateful acknowledgments;

Which was read, and unanimously adopted.

Whereupon Mr. Britton returned his thanks to the House.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House of Assembly that Council have passed the bills from the Assembly entitled,

"An act to authorize the inhabitants of the township of Union, in the county of Essex, and the inhabitants of the township of Tewksbury, in the county of Hunterdon, to vote by ballot at their annual town meetings,"

"A supplement to an act entitled, an act to establish public schools, passed March 1st, 1838,"

Also, the joint resolution from the Assembly relative to the incidental bill,

Severally without amendment.

Council have disagreed to the resolution from the Assembly relative to furnishing Elmer's digest to the township of West Milford, in the county of Passaic.

Mr. Winter offered the following:

Resolved, That the speaker and any four members of this House be, and they are hereby authorized to convene this legislature when in their opinion the public good requires it;

Which was read and adopted.

Ordered, that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have completed the business before them, and are now ready to adjourn.

A message from Council, by Mr. McChesney, their secretary, informed the House that Council have completed their business, and are ready to adjourn.

The House then adjourned *sine die*.

(ATTEST,)

ALEXANDER G. CATTELL, *Clerk*.

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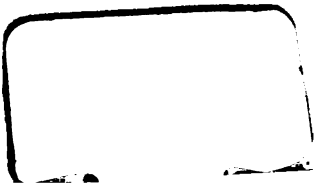
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